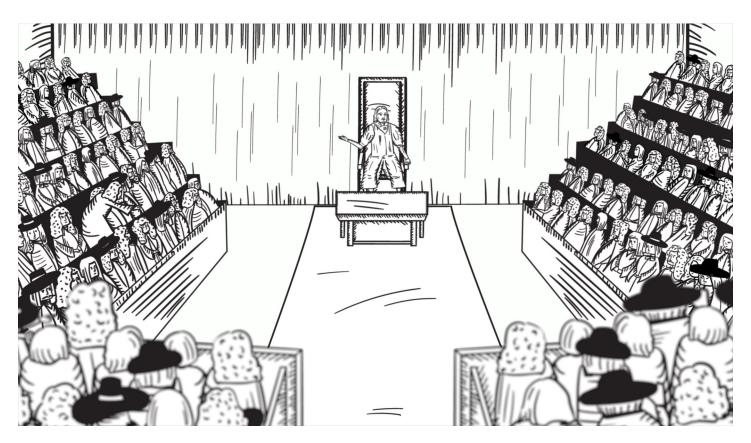
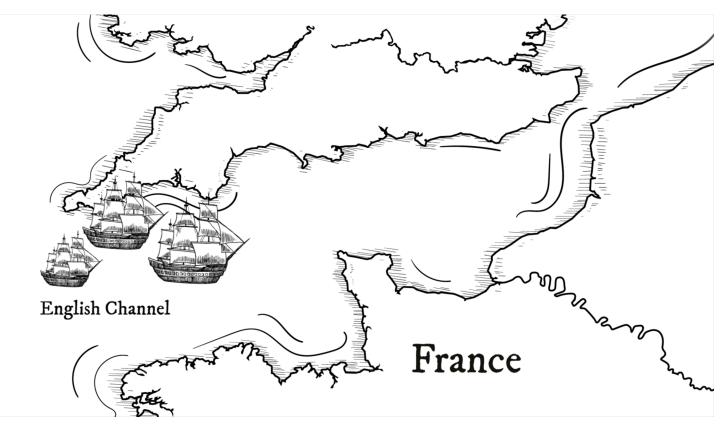


Charles I believed he had been placed on the throne by God..



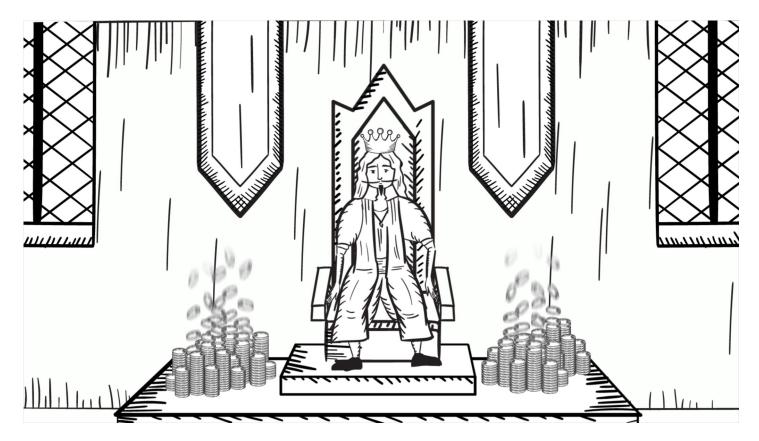
..but he needed Parliament to help him rule the country



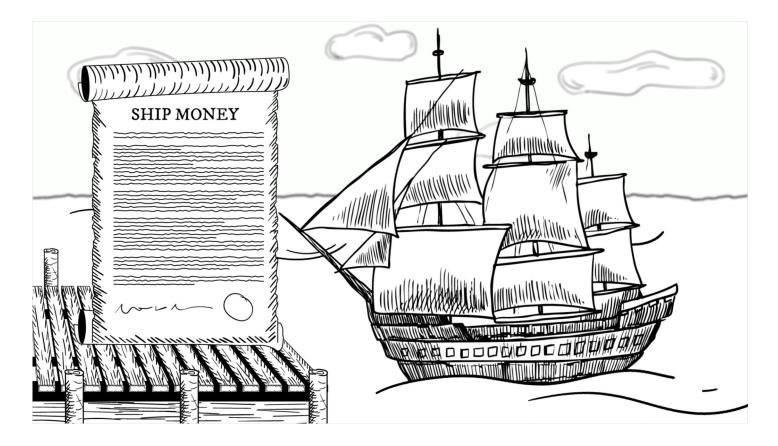
When MPs refused to give him money to fight a way with France and Spain,...

Parliament: CLOSED

..he closed Parliament.



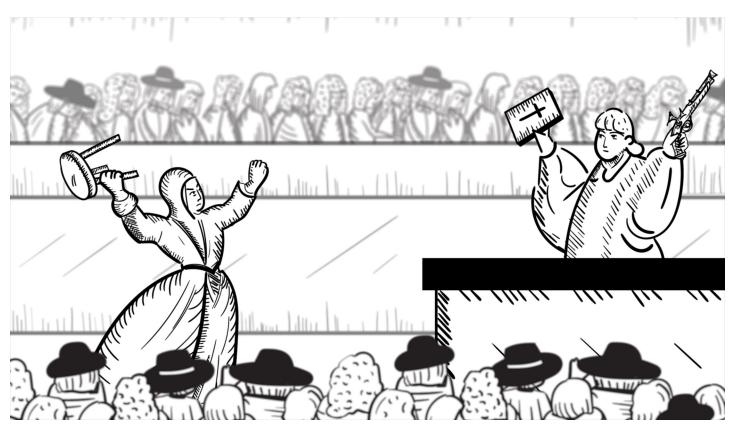
Charles ruled without Parliament for 11 years.



He raised money through unpopular and unlawful taxes.



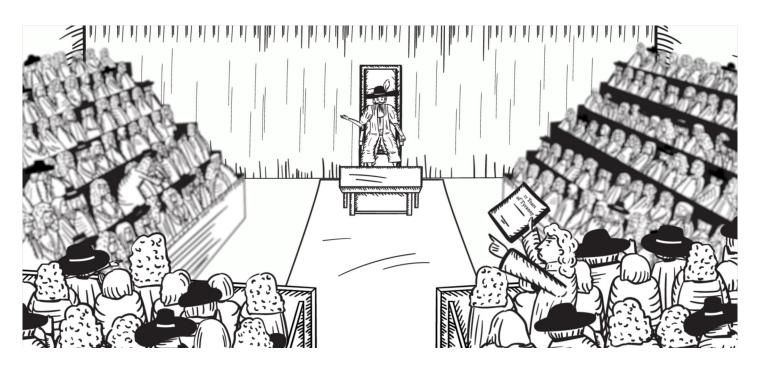
When he made changes to the church, many people feared he wanted to make England Roman Catholic again.



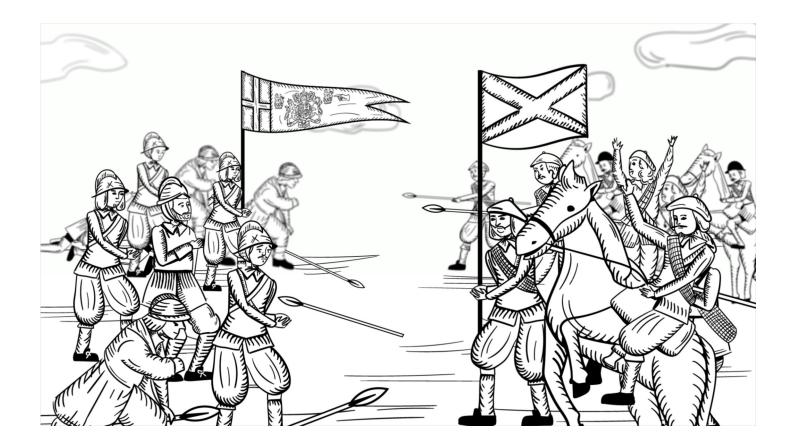
His introduction of a new prayer book in Scotland caused riots!



Charles sent an army to fight the Scots.



When he lost, he reopened Parliament to raise money to carry on fighting. But MPS wanted him to listen to their complaints.



So, Charles closed Parliament and fought the Scots again. He lost!



The Scots invaded England and demanded money to leave.



In Ireland, Catholics rebelled against Protestant landowners.



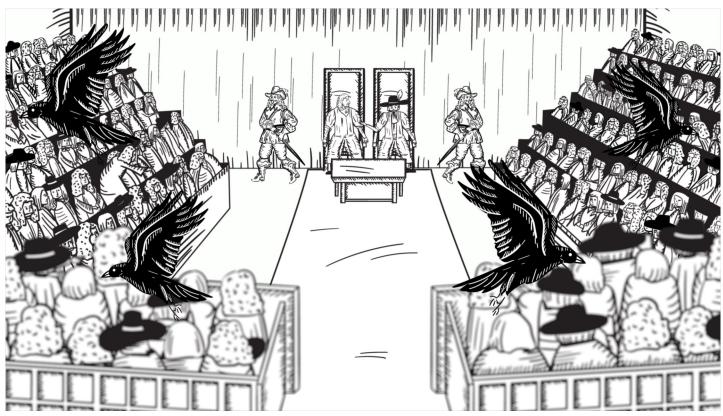
An army was raised but Parliament didn't trust Charles to control it.



There were riots in London.



Parliament's supporters were nicknamed 'Roundheads' by their enemies. The King's enemies nicknamed his supporters 'Cavaliers'.



Charles tried to arrest his 6 leading opponents but they were warned



The King left London and prepared for Civil War.