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Offaly was known as \_\_\_\_\_ after \_\_\_\_\_.

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The main town in Offaly was Daingean, it was known as \_\_\_\_\_.

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Laois was known as Queen's County after Queen Mary Tudor.

Offaly was known as King's County after Mary's husband, King Philip II of Spain.

The main town in Laois was Portlaoise, it was known as Maryborough.

The main town in Offaly was Daingean, it was known as Philipstown.

What does the word plantation mean to you?

Plantations involved the confiscation of land from the Irish. Loyal English and Scottish settlers were then planted on this land.

When did the Laois-Offaly plantation take place? 16th Century (1553)

Why did the Laois - Offaly plantation happen?

1. Two families, the O'Mores of Offaly and the O'Connors of Laois were attacking the Pale. (A protected area around Dublin where English laws and customs existed)
2. The English believed that the Irish could not be trusted to support the king of England at all times.
3. Queen Mary, the queen of England, decided she needed to do something to stop the O'Mores and O'Connors and to make Ireland loyal.
4. The English wanted to extend control over Ireland beyond the Pale. They wanted to enforce the English laws and customs throughout Ireland.

What happened to the Gaelic clan after their land was confiscated from them? Loyal banished Irish were given land bordering the River Shannon. (The worst land) Forts were built to keep peace.

What rules did the English settlers have to follow? They had to arm themselves for defence. They were not to mix with or marry the Irish. They were not allowed rent to the Irish. They were not allowed employ the Irish. They were meant to follow the English laws and customs.

Do you think the Laois - Offaly plantation was successful? Why / Why not?

The Laois - Offaly plantation failed because not enough English settlers came over to Ireland.

The O' Mores and O' Connors terrorised the Planters who had taken their land. More money was spent protecting the settlers than was raised by them.