

## Fact / Falsehoods Activity

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<p>The Pale were the English army who confiscated that land from Gaelic clans.</p>
<p>The Laois - Offaly plantation took place in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. It was the first plantation to take place in Ireland. The ruler of this plantation was Queen Mary Tudor.</p>
<p>The English settlers treated the Gaelic clans with empathy. They employed them on their land and rented their best land to them. Some English settlers married the Gaelic Irish and Anglo - Normans.</p>
<p>The land confiscated from the Gaelic clans were divided up into counties. Laois was known as King's County after King Philip II of Spain. Offaly was known as the Queen's county after Queen Mary Tudor.</p>
<p>The Irish were not trusted to support the king and queen of England. The English seen the Laois - Offaly plantation as a way to reward loyal English soldiers/ settlers and a way to punish the disloyal Irish.</p>
<p>The O' Neill and the O' Donnell were the Gaelic chieftains who ruled over the lands of Laois and Offaly.</p>
<p>The Gaelic Irish followed their own law system known as the Brehon law. The English settlers tried to enforce the English laws and customs onto the Gaelic Irish.</p>
<p>King Henry VIII was Queen Mary Tudor's father. King Henry VIII was married six times - two of his wives were beheaded and three of his marriages were annulled.</p>
<p>Plantations involved the confiscation of land from the Irish. Loyal English and Scottish settlers were then planted on this land.</p>

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