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Quick Questions



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Answers



1. Why does the person wearing the white base powder do so at their own risk?

Accept: it is poisonous.



2. Find and copy a phrase which states that it is easy to change the colour of your hair.

Accept: 'dying your hair like mine is simple'



3. Why might someone want to look like Queen Elizabeth I?

Accept answers which discuss that she was famous and rich and people might want to emulate her look, or answers which discuss that she was what was considered beautiful at the time so people wanted to copy.



4. How does Queen Elizabeth I's makeup compare to makeup worn by people today?

Accept any reasonable comparison or difference provided that it is properly explained, e.g. 'Makeup today is not made out of poisonous material but the white base Elizabeth used was'.