ELIZABETHAN ENGLAND 1558-1603 INTERACTIVE

REASONS FOR THE ESSEX REBELLION 1601

There was rivalry between Essex and Robert Cecil for the attention of Queen Elizabeth I.

Essex was accused of negotiating with the Pope and Spain to seize the English crown.



Essex was asked to deal with the rebellion in Ireland but failed to handle it very well.

Essex lost his influence at court, was arrested and put under house arrest.



Cecil criticised him and Elizabeth took away Essex's monopoly on the import of fortified wine.