

### Queen Victoria on World's first Stamp



In 1840, Great Britain introduced the world's first adhesive postage stamp as pre-payment for mails. Called the *Penny Black*, the First stamp features a profile of Queen Victoria. The emergence of prepaid stamps offered a simple yet efficient postal service.



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