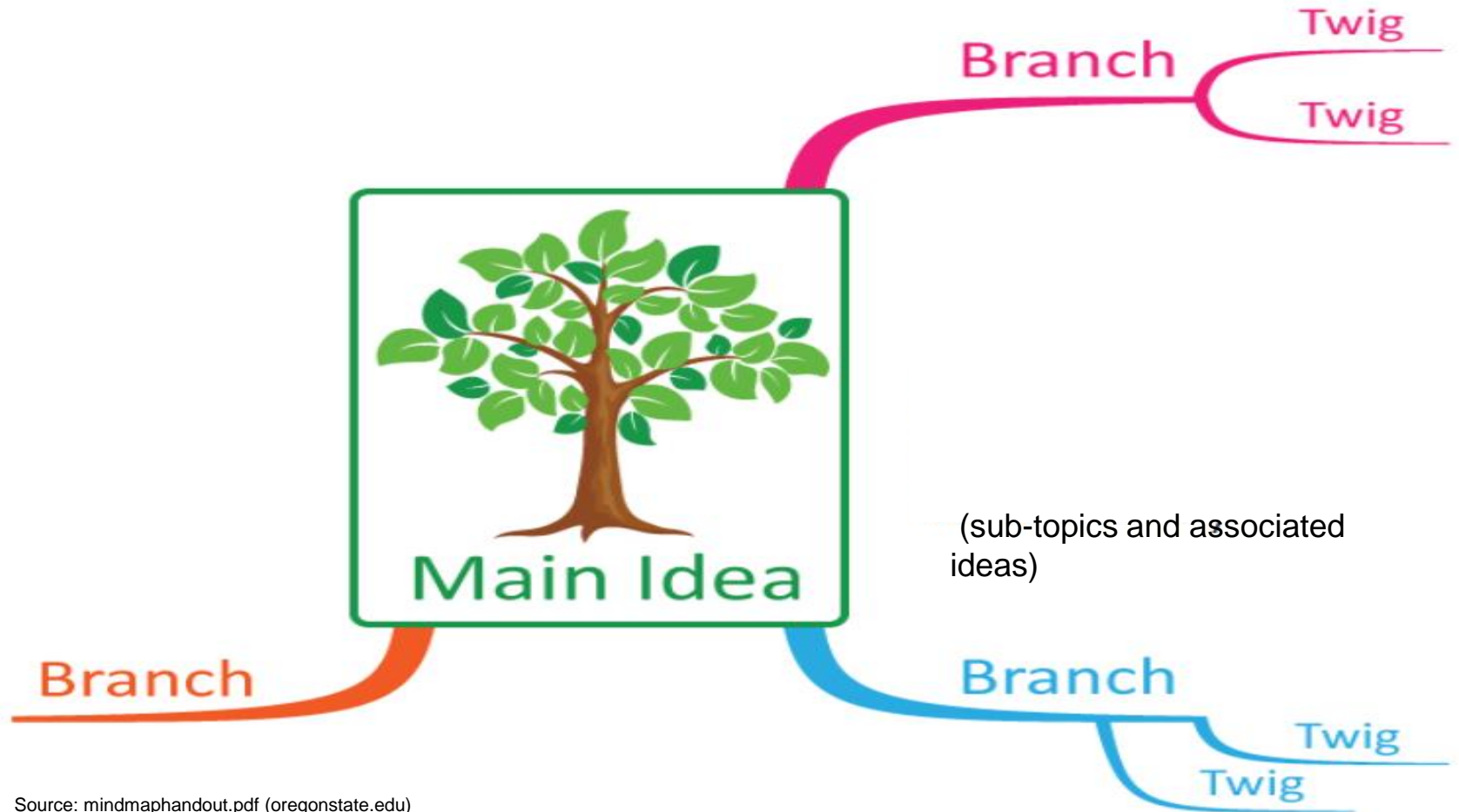# Mind Mapping

What is Mind Mapping?

Mind mapping is a technique used for generating ideas by association and for organizing ideas or information. The word 'map' is used to refer to the visual representation of ideas and the 'mind' is used to refer to the cognitive functions of the brain. This technique aligns with the "mind's natural ability to organise information."

In order to create a mind map, we write the central theme/main idea in the middle of the page and from that point, we map out the associated ideas or topics on the first level, second level and so on using keywords, phrases and/or facts and figures. Mind mapping is a more organized way of brainstorming.

Basic Structure

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Twig

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Main Idea

(sub-topics and associated ideas)
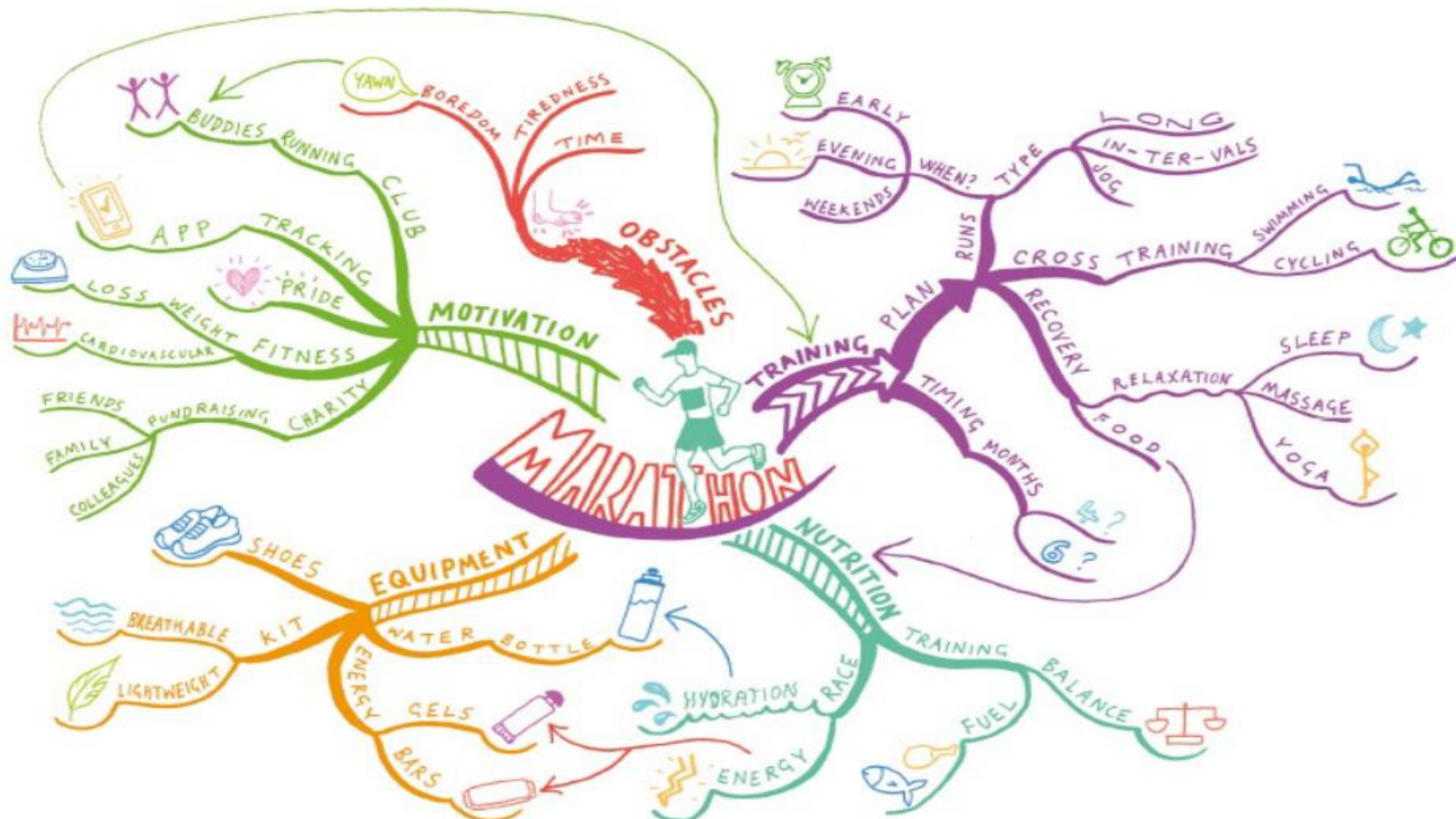
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Tips for Effective Mind Map

- Avoid using full sentences and paragraphs. Instead, use keywords and phrases.

- Show relationships using arrows to indicate thought flow and colours to related ideas.

- Ensure clarity by establishing a visual hierarchy so that the main idea is at the center and the most remote ideas or associations are at the peripheries of the map.

- Keep the layout simple and adaptable for adding new information. Utilize geometric shapes to emphasize critical points.

- Use different colours and symbols to make the mind map more effective as well as visually appealing.

Generating ideas

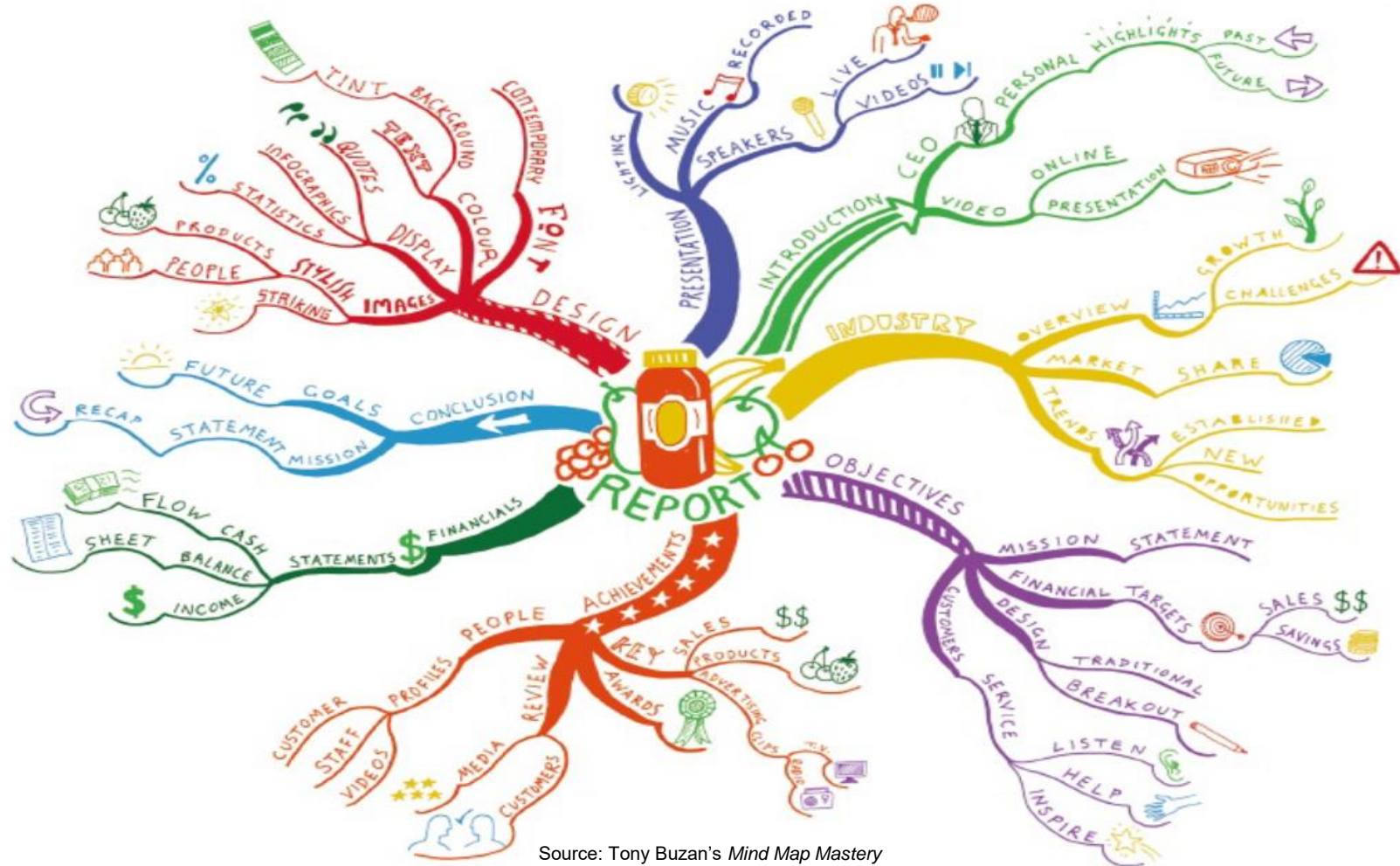# Example: Mind Mapping 'Strategies for Climate Change' Essay Topic

MIND MAP FOR ACHIEVING A PERSONAL GOAL: MARATHON TRAINING
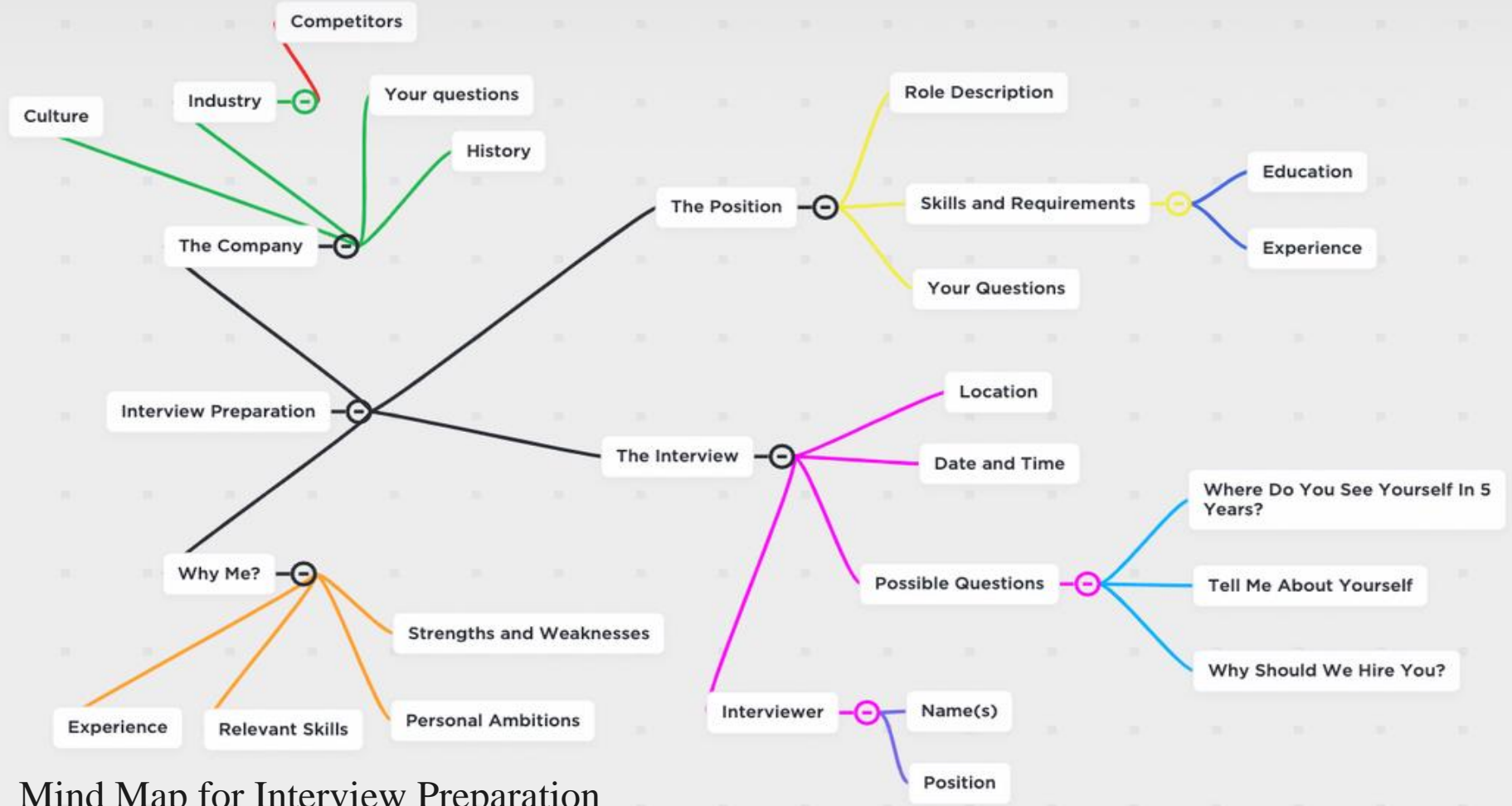Source: Tony Buzan's *Mind Map Mastery*

Organizing ideas

Annual Report of An Organic Juice Manufacturing Company

Mind Map for Interview Preparation

Creation of mind map based on text

South Korea hit by cyber attacks

Countries around the world are beefing up their Internet security systems following cyber attacks in South Korea. Up to 60,000 computers in South Korea have been hit by mystery hackers in the past few days. The virus is spreading and could erase all data on infected machines. South Korean computer security experts say there is more to come. They warn the hackers are aiming at government websites. This could create chaos with the country's transport, hospitals, banks and social services. Philip Kim, CEO of South Korea's largest anti-virus software company Ahn Lab, wouldn't comment on where he thought the attacks originated. However, South Korean government officials are accusing North Korea. The attacks in South Korea coincided with a similar series in the USA. Immediately after the death of Michael Jackson, hackers created viruses that fans unknowingly downloaded. Internet surfers believed they were clicking on a link to receive some Michael Jackson memorabilia. In fact, the link downloaded dangerous, malignant software, known as "malware". Thousands of PC users then spread the virus worldwide. Cyber crime has evolved into an extremely serious issue. An attack by one country on another's computer systems is pretty much an act of war. Nations have to protect their online security just as they protect their own country. The Internet is now very much a new battleground for international conflicts.

South Korea hit by cyber attacks (central node)

Origin
- North Korea accused
- No comments from Philip Kim, CFO, Ahn'Lb

series of incidents
- Could erase all data
- Upto 60K computers in few days
- Warning about govt. websites

impact on country's
- transport
- hospitals
- banks
- social services

similar series in the US
- 1000s of PC users spread the virus
- malignant software "malware"
- to receive some MJ's memorabilia
- immediately after MJ's death

Conclusion
- Internet battleground for intl. conflicts

Tips for Effective Mind Mapping Based on Text

- Ensure thorough representation of all important information.

- Focus on clubbing and clustering ideas effectively at the first and second levels.

- Establish clear associations between related concepts.

- Use visuals, keywords, and colors to enhance understanding and recall.

- Keep mind maps concise and focused on key points for efficient review.

Note: Mind maps, while effective for organizing and reviewing information, may not be suitable for longer texts that contain complex ideas due to their limited capacity to capture and represent such complexity comprehensively.

Create mind maps of the following topics:

1. Effective cybersecurity measures

2. Role of ethics in artificial intelligence and machine learning

3. Mental health and social media

4. Digital literacy in rural India

5. Privacy concerns in the era of big data

6. The future of work in the era of artificial intelligence

Q. Create a mind map based on the following excerpt

Is there a future for the British Monarchy ?

Charles III, crowned in London's Westminster Abbey on May 6th 2023, actually became King in September 2022 immediately after the death of his mother Queen Elizabeth II. There was no need for any delay nor any discussion; according to the Act of Settlement passed by the English parliament in 1701, the crown passes automatically on the death of a British monarch to the heir to the throne. Until recently, this eighteenth-century law placed male children before any of their sisters; in 2013, the British Parliament amended the Act, ending this gender discrimination that had always prevailed in the past.

The 2013 change to the order of succession was part of a modernisation of the British monarchy that began in earnest after the death of Princess Diana in a road accident in Paris. Back in the 1980s, while Diana was becoming a worldwide celebrity, the rest of the the British monarchy seemed stuck in the past, attached to old formalities and increasingly detached from the "new" more informal Britain that had emerged. Following Diana's death, it was clear that people in Britain wanted a monarchy that was much more in touch with the mood of nation. Diana had that quality, and Prime Minister Tony Blair is remembered for the name he coined after her death, "the People's Princess."

The Queen's slow and formal reaction to Diana's death contrasted sharply with the outpouring of popular emotion that engulfed Britain in the days after the tragic accident. People no longer wanted a monarchy without emotion; the "stiff upper lip" was no longer seen as a virtue, but as a problem. This came as wake-up call to the monarchy, and particularly to the Queen, and during the final decades of her life, Queen Elizabeth was at pains to create a new image for the monarchy and for herself. The image of an austere monarch, as created in the 19th century by Queen Victoria, had had its day, in its place came a new image of the monarchy, portraying the Queen as a national grandmother to replace the People's Princess. And the change of image was a success; by the time of the Queen's Golden Jubilee in 2002, the British monarchy was as popular as ever, with opinion polls showing two thirds of the British population were in favour of the monarchy, with less than a quarter wanting Britain to become a republic.

Overall, Elizabeth II was a very popular head of state, probably the most genuinely popular head of state of any country in the world during much of her 70 year reign; it is a legacy that Charles III will find hard to follow but a challenge for which he seems to be both ready and confident of success. That success will depend to a large extent on continuing, and even accelerating, the process of modernisation. While very few people in Britain want the United Kingdom to become the United Republic, that could change if King Charles fails to keep the monarchy aligned with the expectations of the people…. and the media.