

# The British Royal family

Lesson code: 12B3-B1E8-8E9V

Pre-intermediate (A2-B1)

British English

1 Warm-up

What do you know about the British royal family?

2 British Royals: past and present

Complete the names of the royal people.

**Duchess** Duke **Prince** 

King



Henry VIII



Elizabeth II



**Princess** 

3. The \_\_\_ of Wales

Queen



4. The of Wales



of Cambridge 6. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Cambridge



Do you know any other people in the British Royal family?



### 3 Facts about the Queen

Match the headings with the correct paragraphs in the text below.

A modern family Beauty skills No driver's license Tea and important conversations A young queen Language exchange Royal riches Two celebrations

THE QUEEN AND THE ROYAL FAMILY  1
She became queen when she was 25.
2
The Queen has two birthdays: April the 21st, which is the day she was born in 1926, and her official birthday, which in the UK is in June.
3
When she is in London, the Queen meets with the prime minister every week. She has met fourteen prime ministers of the United Kingdom in her life, including Winston Churchill and Margaret Thatcher.  4
You might not want to get in a car with the Queen. Kings and queens do not have to pass a test to drive, and they don't need a passport.  5
The Queen is one of the richest people in the world. The family is worth about £13 billion.  6
The Queen speaks fluent French and uses it on special visits. She does not need a translator. 7
The Queen joined Facebook in 2010, and Twitter in 2009. Staff at Buckingham Palace tweet daily.  8
The Queen did her own make-up for her wedding.

### 4 Checking understanding

Read the article again. Then put true (T) or false (F), next to the statements below.

- 1. The Queen celebrates her birthday more than once.
- 2. The Queen must have a passport when she travels.
- 3. The Queen meets the prime minister every six months.
- 4. The Queen doesn't speak another language.
- 5. The Queen has social media accounts.



## 5 Royal phrases

Match the verbs on the left to the words on the right to make royal phrases.

1.	sit	a.	a country
2.	wear	b.	a crown
3.	become	C.	king or queen
4.	rule	d.	on the throne

### 6 Talking Point

5. wave

#### Discuss any of the questions in pairs or small groups.

- 1. Does your country have a royal family? Do you like them?
- 2. Do you think it's still necessary to have royal families? Why/why not?

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e. to the crowd



#### 1 Warm-up

Encourage a short discussion.

#### 2 British Royals: past and present

- 1. Henry VIII
- 3. The Prince of Wales
- 5. The Duke of Cambridge

- 2. Queen Elizabeth II
- 4. The Princess of Wales
- 6. The Duchess of Cambridge

#### 3 Facts about the Queen

Students can work alone and then check in pairs.

- 1. A young queen
- 3. Tea and important conversations
- 5. Royal riches
- 7. A modern family

- 2. Two celebrations
- 4. No driver's license
- 6. Language exchange
- 8. Beauty skills

#### 4 Checking understanding

Students can work alone and then check in pairs.

- 1. T
- 2. F She legally doesn't need one.
- 3. F She meets the prime minister every week when she is in London.
- 4. F She speaks fluent French.
- 5. T

### 5 Royal phrases

Students can make their own phrases from the collocations as practise.

- 1. d
- 2. b
- 3. c
- 4. a
- 5. e

#### 6 Talking Point

Cultural note: Make sure before you do this activity that it is okay for students to give their opinions about their own royal family in lessons. Monitor students conversations. Make a note of any typical errors and write up useful language on the board.



