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The British Royal Wedding



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| PART 1 | Warm Ups |

Warm Up | 1

Odd 1 Out

- ☞ Look at the four words below, which word is different from the other three?
- ☞ Write your reason in the box underneath. Check your answer later.

a) King

b) Empress

c) Duchess

d) Queen

My Reason...

Warm Up | 2

Brainstorm

- ☞ How many different words can you connect to the word in the box?
- ☞ Can you think of at least 10 words?

| Weddings |

Warm Up | 3

Which Location?

- ☞ Look at the photos of famous locations in London.
- ☞ Match the names in the box below to the photographs.
- ☞ Where would you like to visit? Why?

Tower Bridge	Westminster Abbey	Harrods Dept Store	The London Eye
Buckingham Palace	Soho	Wembley Stadium	221B Baker Street



Warm Up | 4

🔊 | A1

Quiz

🔊 Read the questions about *The British Royal Family*.

🔊 Remember if you don't know – use the internet to help or GUESS!

1: What is the name of the current British Queen?

a: Elizabeth I b: Elizabeth II c: Elizabeth III

2: How many years has the Queen been the British monarch?

a: 39 years b: 49 years c: 59 years

3: Around the world how many countries is the Queen the head of state?

a: 1 b: 9 c: 16

4: What is the family name of the British Royal Family?

a: Windsor b: Smith c: Mountbatten

5: Which prince got married on 29th April 2011?

a: Prince William b: Prince Harry c: Prince Charles

6: What is the name of the London home of the British Monarch?

a: Windsor House b: 10 Downing Street c: Buckingham Palace

E1: Where did the 2011 Royal Wedding take place?

a: Westminster Abbey b: Buckingham Palace c: London Eye

E2: What was the name of Prince William & Prince Harry's mother?

a: Princess Margaret b: Princess Anne c: Princess Diane

E3: What is the British Royal Standard – the Queen's official flag



END OF PART 1

| PART 2 | Before Listening |

Pre-Listening / Reading | 1

Connect the Phrase

- ☞ Match the verb on the left with the rest of the sentence on the right.
- ☞ All the sentences are from the first Listening / Reading Activity.
- ☞ Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

1: Watching	A: Whilst students at St Andrews University.
2: Photographed	B: Worldwide TV audience of 2 billion.
3: Met	C: In anticipation.
4: Designed	D: Their happy day with not one, but two kisses.
5: Sealed	E: By British Fashion House Alexander McQueen
6: Estimated	F: Family in the world.

Pre-Listening / Reading | 2



True or False

- ☞ Read the headline of News Story ~ British Royal Wedding
- ☞ Look at the 5 statements. Guess if you think 1 – 5 are True or False!

1:	Kate Middleton is from England.	[T] [F]
2:	Prince William met Kate Middleton at university	[T] [F]
3:	24 million people watched live in the UK	[T] [F]
4:	The bride's dress was designed by an Italian designer.	[T] [F]
5:	Prince William is now on holiday after his wedding.	[T] [F]

Pre-Listening / Reading | 3

Antonyms

- ☞ An antonym is a word with an opposite meaning.
- ☞ Match the 10 words on the left with their antonyms on the right.
- ☞ All the antonyms in black are from the News Story.

1: Married	5: Help	a: Divorced	e: Common
2: Joy	6: Generating	b: Increase	f: Past
3: Future	7: Problems	c: Sadness	g: Hinder
4: Aristocratic	8: Cut (n)	d: Losing	h: Solutions

END OF PART 2

| PART 3 | Listening |

Listening / Reading |



| Listening

The British Royal Wedding

Wrong Word | Help 1

- 🌀 Listen / Read the news story below and check your understanding.
- 🌀 All of the incorrect words are in the box below.

Married	Woman	World	TV
History	Honeymoon	Two	Work

The British Royal Wedding

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After months of careful planning and preparation, yesterday marked an historic moment in British history, the marriage of a future King to a man whose family has no aristocratic blood. The couple who met whilst students at St Andrews University in Scotland exchanged their wedding vows in front of 24 million people in the UK and an estimated worldwide radio audience of three billion.

The design and style of the bride's dress was the wedding days' best kept secret. Designed by British fashion House Alexander McQueen, the ivory lace and silk gown stretched to 2.7 meters long. The couple sealed their happy day with not one, but two kisses on the roof of Buckingham Palace as thousands celebrated in front of the famous entrance to the Queen's home. The funeral will have to wait however, as Prince William a pilot in the Royal Air Force is due back at work on Monday.

Wrong Word | Help 2

- 🌀 Write the correct answers to the wrong words below.

A: _____	to	Married	E: _____	to	TV
B: _____	to	World	F: _____	to	Two
C: _____	to	Family	G: _____	to	Balcony
D: _____	to	Woman	H: _____	to	Honeymoon

What Do You Think? | Weddings

What do you think about weddings? Do you like a big wedding? Why?

END OF PART 3

🌀 | PART 4 | After Listening |

🌀 Post-Listening / Reading | 1

🔊 | A3

Q & A

- 🌀 How much can you remember from the news story?
- 🌀 Read / Listen to the questions below and choose the correct answer.
- 🌀 If you can't remember any answers, guess!

1: What was the name of the bride?

2: What is the name of the British Royal Family?

3: What university did William and Kate meet?

4: How many people watched the wedding in the UK?

5: Which fashion house designed the wedding gown?

6: How long was the wedding gown?

E1: What is Prince William's job?

E2: What is the name of the big church where William married Kate?

Westminster _____

Post-Listening / Reading | 2

A & Q

- 🌀 How much can you remember from the news story?
- 🌀 Read / Listen to the **answers** below and write the correct **question**.
- 🌀 There is more than one possible correct question for each one!

[A1] Kate Middleton. [Q] _____?

[A2] 30% [Q] _____?

[A3] "Strong Interest" . [Q] _____?

[A4] The Queen. [Q] _____?

[A5] Pounds [Q] _____?

END OF PART 4

| PART 5 | Extra Help |

English Grammar

Past Simple

- 🌀 Look at the 5 verbs from News Story 2 and check their meaning.
- 🌀 Write 5 sentences using the 5 verbs in the *Past Simple* tense.
- 🌀 **HINT** *Past Simple* is used for actions or events that have finished.
- 🌀 **FORM** **Regular (verb)** + **-ed**. **Irregular (verb)** + **different endings**.
- 🌀 **Example** She **played** tennis. / He **(go)** **went** to Yokogawa Station yesterday.

1 Organise	_____
2 Beam	_____
3 Feel	_____
4 Pay	_____
5 Hit	_____

And Finally | X & Z



Did You Know...?

That the Queen has x: _____ birthdays every year! Her real birthday is in April, but she has an 'official' birthday which is also a national z: _____ in June. This does not mean that she ages twice on one year though; otherwise she would now be 170 years old!

The End

Visual | TV Links

You Tube (USA)

http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=british+royal+wedding

Search: British Royal Wedding

BBC News (UK)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-16381562>

Search: British Royal Wedding

Podcast | Key



These activities are audio and can be listened to on the podcast.

Answers | Part 1

Warm Up 1-4

Warm Up | 1

A – King is a man. A, B, C are all titles for women.

Warm Up | 3

A – Buckingham Palace B – Westminster Abbey C – Wembley Stadium D – Tower Bridge E – London Eye F – Harrods G – Soho H – 221B Baker Street

Warm Up | 4

1 – (B) 2 – (C) 3 – (C) 4 – (A) 5 – (A) Desert
6 – (C) E1 – (A) E2 – (C) E3 – (A)

Answers | Part 2

Pre Listening / Reading

Connect the Phrase

1 – C / 2 – F / 3 – A / 4 – E / 5 – D / 6 – B

Antonyms

1 – A / 2 – C / 3 – F / 4 – E / 5 – G / 6 – D / 7 – H / 8 – B

True or False

1 – T / 2 – T / 3 – T / 4 – F / 5 – F

Answers | Part 3

Listening

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Answers | Part 4

Post Listening / Reading

Q & A

1 – Kate Middleton	2 – Windsor	3 – St Andrews
4 – 24 million	5 – Alexander McQueen	6 – 2.7 meters
<i>E1 – RAF Pilot.</i>	<i>E2 – Westminster Abbey</i>	

A & Q

Here are some possible examples for questions to fit the answers, but there will be more than one possible question for each answer.

[A1] What was the name of the bride?
 [A2] What percentage of British people watched the wedding live?
 [A3] What did only 20% of British people answer?
 [A4] Who is the British Head of State?
 [A5] What is the name of the currency in the UK?

Answers | Grammar

Present Simple

Here are some possible examples for questions to fit the answers, but there will be more than one possible question for each answer.

1 Organise	The wedding was well organised.
2 Beam	It was beamed all around the world.
3 Feel	It felt great.
4 Pay	It was paid on time.
5 Hit	He hit the winning runs just in time.

And Finally

X & Z

X – 2 (two) / Z – Holiday

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Royal_wedding_Regent_Street.jpg