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Level 4 – 6th February, 2022

U.K. Queen celebrates platinum jubilee

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220206-platinum-jubilee-4.html>

The UK Queen has celebrated her platinum jubilee. Queen Elizabeth II, 95, became Queen on February the 6th 1952 after the death of her father King George VI. She marked her 70-year anniversary at her country home. A person who attended a party there said the Queen was in "sparkling" form. She added: "Seventy years on the throne shows the Queen has been a moving example to absolutely everyone in all walks of life."

The Queen was on safari in Kenya 70 years ago when news came of her father's death. She was 25. She is Britain's longest serving monarch. Queen Victoria was Queen for 63 years. Elizabeth has been a part of UK life for a century. She has seen 14 UK Prime Ministers come and go. She has also owned more than 30 corgis. Fox News said the Queen has had "an unprecedented reign...as the United Kingdom navigated an age of uncertainty".

Sources: <https://www.royal.uk/platinumjubilee>
<https://www.foxnews.com/entertainment/queen-elizabeth-marks-70-years-throne>
<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-10462325/Everything-need-know-Queen-Elizabeth-IIs-Platinum-Jubilee.html>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. her father | a. a party |
| 2. She marked her 70- | b. absolutely everyone |
| 3. at her country | c. year anniversary |
| 4. A person who attended | d. walks of life |
| 5. the Queen was in "sparkling" | e. King George VI |
| 6. Seventy years on | f. form |
| 7. a moving example to | g. the throne |
| 8. everyone in all | h. home |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. The Queen was on | a. unprecedented reign |
| 2. news came | b. monarch |
| 3. Britain's longest serving | c. of her father's death |
| 4. a part of UK life | d. uncertainty |
| 5. She has seen 14 UK Prime Ministers | e. for a century |
| 6. She has also owned | f. come and go |
| 7. the Queen has had an | g. safari in Kenya |
| 8. an age of | h. more than 30 corgis |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The UK Queen (1) _____ platinum jubilee. Queen Elizabeth II, 95, became Queen on February the 6th 1952 (2) _____ of her father King George VI. She marked her 70-year anniversary at (3) _____. A person who (4) _____ there said the Queen was in "sparkling" form. She added: "Seventy years (5) _____ shows the Queen has been a moving example to absolutely everyone in all (6) _____."

The Queen (7) _____ in Kenya 70 years ago when news came of (8) _____. She was 25. She is Britain's longest serving monarch. Queen Victoria (9) _____ 63 years. Elizabeth has been a part of UK life (10) _____. She has seen 14 UK Prime Ministers (11) _____. She has also owned more than 30 corgis. Fox News said the Queen has had "an unprecedented reign...as the United Kingdom (12) _____ of uncertainty".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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THE U.K. QUEEN SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about the U.K. Queen in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

