

Prince Harry – the Duke of Sussex

Elementary

1 Warmer

What do you know about the British royal family? Answer these questions.

1. Buckingham Palace has **475 / 775** rooms.
2. Balmoral Castle is the Queen's official residence in **Scotland / Wales**.
3. Queen Elizabeth has **three / four** children.
4. Elizabeth became queen in **1952 / 1962**.
5. Harry's older brother is called **Michael / William**.
6. **Balmoral Castle / Windsor Castle** is the largest and oldest castle, that someone still lives in, in the world.

2 Key words

Fill the gaps in the sentences with these key words from the text. The paragraph numbers will help you.

launch

press

succession

tabloid

military

throne

1. A _____ is a newspaper with small pages. It has a lot of stories about famous people and not much serious news. (para 1)
2. _____ is when one person comes after another person as king, queen or leader. (para 2)
3. The _____ is the position of being a king or queen. (para 2)
4. The _____ is the armed forces of a country (army, navy, air force). (para 3)
5. If you _____ something, such as a new career or project, you start it. (para 3)
6. The _____ is newspapers and news magazines. (para 5)

3 Find the information

Find the following information in the text as quickly as possible.

1. When was Prince Harry born?
2. Who was his mother?
3. What did Harry launch in 2014?
4. When did Harry and Meghan get married?
5. Where did they get married?
6. What did they do in June, 2020?

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- 1 Many of the British newspapers, especially the tabloid newspapers, enjoy writing about the United Kingdom's royal family. Almost every day, there is at least one story about the family, and the most popular member of the family (for the newspapers) is Prince Harry, who is also known as the Duke of Sussex.
- 2 Harry is the younger son of Prince Charles and the grandson of Queen Elizabeth II. He was born in September, 1984 in London and is sixth in line of succession to the British throne (which means that if the five members of the royal family above him die, he will become king). As a teenager, Harry experienced a huge personal tragedy when his mother, Lady Diana Spencer, died in a car crash in Paris in August, 1997.
- 3 At the age of 20, Harry entered the Royal Military Academy where he learned to become an army officer. He was in the UK military from 2006 to 2015. Harry is well known for his work for different charities. In 2014, he launched the Invictus Games, a paralympic sporting event for injured soldiers.
- 4 The British tabloid newspapers had stories every day about Harry and especially about his relationship with the American actress Meghan Markle. In May, 2018, Harry and Meghan married in a chapel at Windsor Castle. On the same day, Harry got the title of Duke of Sussex from the Queen, so Meghan became the Duchess of Sussex.
- 5 In January, 2020, Harry and Meghan surprised the British press when they said that they did not want to work as part of the royal family any more. They have also decided to live most of the time in North America. In June, 2020 they bought a house in California. Only one thing is certain. Although they have moved to the USA and no longer work for the royal family, the British press will continue to write stories about them.

4 Comprehension check

Match the beginnings and endings to make statements about the text.

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| 1. Prince Harry and Meghan Markle are also ... | a. ... when his mother was killed in a car crash. |
| 2. Harry was in the UK military ... | b. ... the British press was very surprised but has continued to write stories about them. |
| 3. In August, 1997, Harry experienced a personal tragedy ... | c. ... for nine years from 2006 to 2015. |
| 4. Harry is well known for his charity work, and ... | d. ... Harry was given the title of Duke of Sussex. |
| 5. On the same day that he married Meghan, ... | e. ... he launched the Invictus Games, a paralympic event. |
| 6. When Harry and Meghan said that they did not want to work as part of the royal family, ... | f. ... known as the Duke and Duchess of Sussex. |

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5 Two-word phrases

Match the words in the left-hand column with the words in the right-hand column to make expressions from the text.

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| 1. tabloid | a. family |
| 2. army | b. tragedy |
| 3. sporting | c. newspaper |
| 4. royal | d. academy |
| 5. personal | e. event |
| 6. military | f. officer |

6 Prepositions

Complete the phrases from the text using these prepositions.

about

of

with

on

for

from

1. relationship _____ someone
2. work _____ a charity
3. stories _____ the royal family
4. _____ 2006 to 2015
5. _____ the same day
6. most _____ the time

7 More vocabulary

Match the words from the text with their meanings.

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|-------------|--|
| 1. chapel | a. a young person between the ages of 13 and 19 |
| 2. teenager | b. a very sad event |
| 3. title | c. a small church |
| 4. tragedy | d. a word such as Lord or Princess before someone's name |

8 Discussion

- Which is better?
 - o a king/queen
 - o a president