



# Lyonshall Jubilee Celebrations

## 'Test your Royal Knowledge'

### Competition

# THE ANSWERS

1. In which year did Princess Elizabeth, as The Queen was then, marry Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten, whom she had known for many years?

1946  
**1947**  
1948

*Lieutenant Mountbatten, now His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, is the son of Prince Andrew of Greece and a great-great-grandson of Queen Victoria. The couple were married in Westminster Abbey on 20 November 1947. The event was fairly simple, as Britain was still recovering from the war, and Princess Elizabeth had to collect clothing coupons for her dress, like any other young bride. The Queen's wedding ring was made from a nugget of Welsh gold which came from the Clogau St David's mine near Dolgellau. The official wedding cake was made by McVitie and Price Ltd, using ingredients given as a wedding gift by Australian Girl Guides. They spent their honeymoon in Hampshire at the home of Lord Mountbatten and at Balmoral.*

2. On 6 February 1952, Princess Elizabeth learned that father King George VI had died and she was now Monarch of Great Britain. She was on holiday in Africa when she heard the news. Where was she?

Ethiopia  
Tanzania (then Tanganyika)  
**Kenya**

*On Wednesday, 6 February 1952, Princess Elizabeth received the news her accession to the throne while staying at Treetops Hotel in Aberdare National Park in Kenya, so remote a place that it took many hours for the news to reach her. The tour had to be abandoned, and the young Princess flew back to Britain as Queen. She was greeted by Prime Minister Winston Churchill and other officials at the airport. Her Royal Highness was proclaimed Queen Elizabeth II two days later on 8 February 1952 and crowned the following year on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1953.*

3. How old was she at the time?

24  
**25**  
26

*The Queen was born at 17 Bruton St, London W1 on the 21st April, 1926. This means that at the time of the Accession in February 1952, she was 25 years old and at the time of the Coronation in June 1953 she was 27.*

**4. Which Prime Minister was in office in February 1952?**

Clement Attlee  
**Winston Churchill**  
Anthony Eden

*Churchill was 77 at the time, having just started his 2<sup>nd</sup> term as Prime Minister after five years as Leader of the Opposition. His first term, over the period of World War II, was 1940-1945. He died in 1965.*

**5. The Queen is the second longest serving monarch. How many other kings and queens in British history have reigned for 50 years or more?**

3  
4  
**5**

*The Queen is the second longest serving monarch so far. Only five other kings and queens in British history have reigned for 50 years or more. They are: Victoria (63 years); George III (59 years); Henry III (56 years); Edward III (50 years); James VI of Scotland/ James I of England (58 years).*

**6. How many children do The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh have?**

3  
**4**  
5

*They have four children: Prince Charles, The Prince of Wales and heir apparent to the throne, 1948; Princess Anne, The Princess Royal, 1950; Prince Andrew, Duke of York, 1960; Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex, 1964. Prince Andrew and Prince Edward were the first children to be born to a reigning monarch since Queen Victoria had her family.*

**7. How many grandchildren?**

6  
7  
**8**

*Eight grandchildren: Peter and Zara Phillips (1977 and 1981); Prince William of Wales and Prince Henry of Wales (1982 and 1984); Princess Beatrice of York and Princess Eugenie of York (1988 and 1990); Lady Louise Windsor and Viscount Severn (2003 and 2007).*

**8. How many great-grandchildren?**

1  
**2**  
3

*Two great-grandchildren: Savannah Phillips, 2010, and Isla Elizabeth Phillips, 2012.*

**9. And how many Godchildren does The Queen have?**

10  
20  
**30**

*She has 30 (too many to list here!).*

10. Which year did The Queen declare to be her 'Annus Horribilis', with divorce/separation for three of her children and a major fire at Windsor Castle?

1992

1994

1995

*Although the phrase is cited by the Oxford English Dictionary as being in use as early as 1985, it was popularised by The Queen in a speech to the Guildhall on 24 November 1992, marking the 40th anniversary of her Accession. "1992 is not a year on which I shall look back with undiluted pleasure. In the words of one of my more sympathetic correspondents, it has turned out to be an Annus Horribilis."*

11. The Sunday Times 'Rich List' published in 2012 gave The Queen's personal wealth as £310m. What is her rank on the list?

26

262

2,620

*The Queen is the 262nd richest person in the UK, and the 32nd richest woman, with a personal wealth of £310million. Estimates of The Queen's wealth often mistakenly include items which are held by her as Sovereign on behalf of the nation and are not her private property. These include the Royal Palaces, the majority of art treasures from the Royal Collection and the Crown Jewels. The Queen cannot sell these; they must pass to her successor as Sovereign. Her personal income, which is used to meet her private expenses, is derived from her investment portfolio and private estates at Balmoral and Sandringham, which were both inherited from her father. In addition, she receives an annual government stipend provided by Parliament to meet the official expenses of The Queen's Household, so that The Queen can carry out her role as Head of State and Head of the Commonwealth. The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh are the only members of the Royal Family to receive an annual parliamentary allowance. The Department of Transport provides annual funding to meet the costs of almost 3,000 official engagements around the United Kingdom and overseas carried out by the Royal Family. The Department of Culture, Media and Sport issues a separate grant, voted by Parliament each year, to cover the upkeep of the Royal residences and The Queen's Gallery.*

12. How many Openings of Parliament has The Queen missed in 60 years?

0

1

2

*The Queen has attended every opening of Parliament except those in 1959 and 1963, when she was expecting Prince Andrew and Prince Edward respectively.*

13. Live animals have sometimes been given to The Queen on her foreign tours. Which of the following gifts are true:

Two tortoises

One elephant

Two beavers

*All of them! The two tortoises were given in the Seychelles in 1972; a seven-year-old bull elephant called Jumbo was given by the President of Cameroon in 1972 to mark The Queen's Silver Wedding; the two black beavers were given after a Royal visit to Canada.*

14. In which year did The Queen make her first Commonwealth tour as Monarch?

1953

1954

1955

*Her Majesty's first Commonwealth tour as Queen began on 24 November 1953, and included visits to Canada, Bermuda, Jamaica, Panama, Fiji, Tonga, New Zealand, Australia, the Cocos Islands, Ceylon, Aden, Uganda, Libya, Malta and Gibraltar. The total distance covered was 43,618 miles.*

**15. How many Royal Variety performances has The Queen attended?**

- 35**
- 45
- 55

*Other members of the Royal Family have, of course, attended the rest.*

**16. Over the course of The Queen's reign, approximately how many people have attended garden parties at Buckingham Palace or the Palace of Holyroodhouse?**

- 1.0m
- 1.5m**
- 2.0m

*Almost a one and a half million people have attended The Queen's garden parties at Buckingham Palace or the Palace of Holyroodhouse. The Queen ended Debutante Presentation Parties in 1958.*

**17. The first 'Royal walkabouts' took place during an overseas visit The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh in 1970. Where?**

- Australia and New Zealand**
- Canada
- India

*The first 'Royal walkabout' took place on a tour to Australia and New Zealand in 1970. The practice was introduced to allow the Royal Family to meet as many people as possible, not simply officials and dignitaries.*

**18. In which year were parts of Buckingham Palace opened to the general public?**

- 1932
- 1962**
- 1992

*An important innovation during The Queen's reign was the opening in 1962 of a new gallery at Buckingham Palace to display items from the Royal Collection. The brainchild of The Duke of Edinburgh, the new Queen's Gallery occupied the space of the Palace's bomb-damaged private chapel. The Gallery was substantially renovated in 2002 as part of the Golden Jubilee celebrations, and it remains open throughout the year to the general public. The palace's state rooms have been open to the public during August and September since 1993. The money raised in entry fees was originally put towards the rebuilding of Windsor Castle following the 1992 fire which destroyed many of its state rooms.*

**19. The Queen has made a Christmas Broadcast to the Commonwealth every year of her reign except one, when a repeat of the film 'Royal Family' was shown and a written message from The Queen issued instead. Which year?**

- 1952
- 1969**
- 2001

*The Queen has made a Christmas Broadcast to the Commonwealth every year of her reign except 1969. In 1953, The Queen made the first Christmas Broadcast from overseas, (rather than from the UK), broadcasting live from New Zealand. In 1957, the first televised broadcast was broadcast live. In 1960, the first pre-recorded broadcast took place to allow transmission around the world. In 2004, The Queen issued her first separate broadcast for members of the British Armed Forces. In 2006, the Christmas Broadcast was first made available as a podcast.*

20. Which of the following digital communication channels does the British Monarchy use?

Website  
YouTube  
Twitter  
Flickr  
Facebook

*All of them. The Monarchy regularly uses most of the major digital channels of communication.*

21. The Queen is the oldest monarch to celebrate a Diamond Jubilee. How old was Queen Victoria when she celebrated hers in 1897?

75  
**77**  
79

*Queen Victoria was the last British Monarch to celebrate a Diamond Jubilee in 1897, aged 77. The Queen, was aged 85 on Accession Day in 2012.*

22. Which of the following Heads of State have celebrated their Diamond Jubilees during The Queen's reign?

The former Sultan of Johor (now a part of Malaysia)  
The late Emperor Hirohito of Japan  
King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand

*All of them. There have been only three Diamond Jubilees of Heads of State celebrated throughout the world during The Queen's reign: Thailand's King Bhumibol Adulyadej, 2006; the Sultan of Johor, 1955; Emperor Hirohito of Japan, 1986.*

23. What is the name of the Wye Valley Trow, crewed by Lyonshall resident David Smith among others, which took part in the Thames Diamond Jubilee Pageant on Sunday 3rd June?

The Hereford Bull  
The Herefordshire Bull  
The Hereford Bullock

See [www.youtube.com/watch?v=VDyNpbeQoUQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VDyNpbeQoUQ) for film of the Trow in action during the Pageant.

24. Approximately how many officially registered Jubilee Beacons will be lit, including the one at Lyonshall?

2,012  
3,012  
**4,012**

*Well over 4,000. See [www.diamondjubileebeacons.co.uk](http://www.diamondjubileebeacons.co.uk) for details.*

25. On which date will The Queen come to Hereford for the Herefordshire Diamond Day?

4<sup>th</sup> July 2012  
**11<sup>th</sup> July 2012**  
18<sup>th</sup> July 2012

See [www.herefordshirediamondday.co.uk](http://www.herefordshirediamondday.co.uk) for details.

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