

How Meghan Markle and Kate Middleton Are Alike and Different



Meghan's Upbringing¹

Meghan, whose name is actually Rachel Meghan Markle, was born in Los Angeles in 1981. Her mother is a social worker and yoga instructor, while her father is a television lighting director and director of photography.

Kate's Upbringing

Kate, born Catherine Elizabeth Middleton, was born in Reading, England in 1982. Her father first was a pilot and then founded a company in 1987. The Middleton family has had ties² to the British Royal Family for a long time.



Meghan's Education

Meghan attended private school, graduating from Northwestern University in 2003 with bachelor's degrees³ in both theater and international studies.

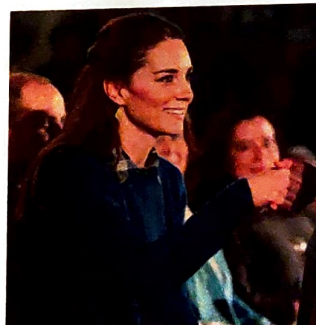


Kate's Education

Kate also attended private school, graduating in 2005 from University of St. Andrews in Scotland with an undergraduate MA in art history⁴.

Meghan's Career

She was essentially an actress. She is mainly known for her role in the series Suits.



Meghan's love life

Meghan met Harry in 2016. It was love at first sight. In September 2017 they made their first public appearance together at the Invictus Games⁵ in Toronto. They got married in May 2018.

Kate's career

Kate worked as an Associate Buyer for the clothing line Jigsaw. In addition, she worked for her family business, Party Pieces, in design and production, marketing, and photography.

Kate's love life

Kate and William actually met at St. Andrews University in 2001. Their relationship was characterized by temporary breaks, and years of secrecy. They got married in April 2011.



1. upbringing = éducation ; 2. ties = liens ; 3. bachelor degree = licence ; 4. undergraduate MA (Master of Arts) in Art History = diplôme de 1^{er} cycle en histoire de l'art ; 5. Invictus Games = compétitions ouvertes aux blessés et invalides des guerres ou conflits armés récents.

1 Read the texts. Are the statements true or false? Justify.



- a. Kate's and Meghan's are both British.
- b. Kate's and William's family have known each other for a long time.
- c. Kate and Meghan both have a university degree.
- d. They both worked in fashion.
- e. Kate and William had a very short relationship before getting married.

2 Select a princess and tell about her: name, age, studies, jobs.



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3 Compare Kate and Meghan.



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Ex.: Kate is English *whereas* Meghan is American.

Unlike Kate, Meghan is American.

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