

King Charles III's Coronation

1. Discuss

Discuss the following with a partner.

1. Do you know the names of any members of the British Royal Family? Who are they?
2. What does the Royal Family in the UK do? Do you think they are important?



2. Reading

A. Read the article and fill the gaps.

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King Charles III was 1. _____ in London's Westminster Abbey in a formal ceremony with a thousand years of 2. _____, but with modern touches and more inclusion. The ceremony means the longtime Crown Prince is now 3. _____ King of the United Kingdom and 14 Commonwealth realms as well as being head of the 56-member Commonwealth of Nations. The coronation of Charles III and his wife, Camilla, took place on 6 May 2023 at Westminster Abbey. Charles had acceded to the 4. _____ on 8 September 2022, upon the death of his mother, Elizabeth II.

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After the service, members 5. _____ royal family travelled to Buckingham Palace in a state procession and appeared on the palace's balconies. Charles and Camilla's coronation service was altered from past British coronations to represent multiple faiths, cultures, and communities 6. _____ the United Kingdom, and was shorter than his mother's coronation in 1953.

The public of the United Kingdom 7. _____ encouraged to take part in street parties and volunteering. A coronation concert will take place at Windsor Castle and events were planned to mark the event in Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and other overseas territories. Charles and Camilla's coronation was the first of a British monarch in the 21st century, and the 40th coronation to be 8. _____ at Westminster Abbey since the coronation of William the Conqueror in 1066.

B. Are the statements true or false? Reference the article to correct false statements.

1. The coronation service represented multiple cultures and communities. true / false
2. A coronation concert will take place at Buckingham Palace? true / false
3. Charles and Camilla's coronation service lasted longer than Elizabeth II's in 1953. true / false
4. Events were planned to mark the coronation of Charles III in countries other than the UK. true / false