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Level 5 – 6th February, 2022

U.K. Queen celebrates platinum jubilee

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The UK Queen marked her platinum jubilee on Saturday with a reception for her local village. Queen Elizabeth II, 95, came to the British throne on February the 6th 1952 after the death of her father King George VI. She will mark the 70-year anniversary as queen at her country estate. One person at the reception 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. She has been constant, compassionate and stoic - everything that makes a perfect human being."

The Queen was on safari in Kenya 70 years ago when news came of her father's death. She immediately became Queen at the age of 25. She is Britain's longest serving monarch. The previous record-holder, Queen Victoria, was Queen for 63 years. Elizabeth has been a part of UK life for almost a century. She has seen 14 UK Prime Ministers come and go. She has also owned more than 30 corgis - her favourite dog. Fox News wrote that the Queen has had, "an unprecedented reign that has made her a symbol of stability 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. a reception for | a. constant |
| 2. the British | b. form |
| 3. mark the 70-year anniversary | c. her local village |
| 4. the Queen was in "sparkling" | d. human being |
| 5. a moving example to | e. of life |
| 6. in all walks | f. throne |
| 7. She has been | g. absolutely everyone |
| 8. everything that makes a perfect | h. as queen |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

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

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The UK Queen marked her platinum jubilee on Saturday with a (1) _____ local village. Queen Elizabeth II, 95, came to the British throne on February the 6th 1952 after the death of her father King George VI. She (2) _____ 70-year anniversary as queen at her country estate. One person (3) _____ said the Queen was in "sparkling" form. She added: "Seventy years on the throne shows the Queen has been (4) _____ to absolutely everyone in all (5) _____. She has been constant, compassionate and stoic - everything that makes a (6) _____."

The Queen was (7) _____ Kenya 70 years ago when news came of her father's death. She immediately became Queen at the age of 25. She is Britain's (8) _____. The previous record-holder, Queen Victoria, was Queen for 63 years. Elizabeth has been a part of UK life for (9) _____. She has seen 14 UK Prime Ministers come and go. She has also owned more (10) _____ - her favourite dog. Fox News wrote that the Queen has had, "an unprecedented reign that has made her a (11) _____ as the United Kingdom (12) _____ of uncertainty".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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TheUKQueenmarkedherplatinumjubileeonSaturdaywithareceptionforherlocalvillage.QueenElizabethII,95,cametotheBritishthroneonFebruarythe6th1952afterthedeathofherfatherKingGeorgeVI.Shewillmarkthe70-yearanniversaryasqueenatthercountryestate.OnepersonatthereceptionsaidtheQueenwasin"sparkling"form.Sheadded:"SeventyyearsonthethroneshowstheQueenhasbeenamovingexampletoabsolutelyeveryoneinallwalksoflife.Shehasbeenconstant,compassionateandstoic-everythingthatmakesaperfecthumanbeing."TheQueenwasonsafariinKenya70yearsagowhennewscameofherfather'sdeath.SheimmediatelybecameQueenattheageof25.SheisBritain'slongestservingmonarch.Thepreviousrecord-holder,QueenVictoria,wasQueenfor63years.ElizabethhasbeenapartofUKlifeformostacentury.Shehasseen14UKPrimeMinisterscomeandgo.Shehasalsoownedmorethan30corgis-herfavourite dog.FoxNews wrotethattheQueenhas said,"anunprecedentedreignthathasmadeherasymbolofstabilityastheUnitedKingdomnavigatedanageofuncertainty".

THE U.K. QUEEN SURVEY

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

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) _____

