

UK's Prince Harry vows to make a difference

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Britain's Prince Harry has said he wants to make a difference in the world. The 32-year-old royal, who is fifth in line to the British throne, talked exclusively to a documentary team from Britain's ITV television channel. In a

very candid interview, the young prince spoke at length about his charity projects and the effect the loss of his mother, Diana, Princess of Wales, had on him at an early age. Harry confessed that for a long time after his mother's death, he did not want to fulfill the expectations of being a prince. His charity work helping orphans in Lesotho and working with war veterans has given him a new perspective on life and on how he can use his position and fame to do good.

Prince Harry told journalists that he did not always have such a positive outlook on life. He said he used to "bury his head in the sand," but now views life "very, very differently". He said: "I was fighting the system, going, 'I don't want to be this person'." He explained that things have changed 180 degrees, saying: "Now I'm just so fired up and energised to be lucky enough to be in a position to make a difference...to make something of my life." The prince said it was, "fun to be good and boring to be bad". He said: "Whether it's in your local community, your village...walking down the street, opening a door for an old lady, helping her across the road. Whatever if it is, just do good. Why wouldn't you?"

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Writing

Helping others should be the main role of royals. Discuss.

Chat

Talk about these words from the article.

prince / difference / throne / exclusively / candid / charity / confessed / orphans / positive / outlook / sand / fighting / system / boring / walking / old lady / good

True / False

- There are seven people ahead of Prince Harry to be the next king/queen. T / F
- Prince Harry was interviewed by an American news channel. T / F
- Prince Harry spoke openly and honestly about his life. T / F
- Harry works with orphans and war veterans. T / F
- Harry told reporters he has always had a positive outlook on life. T / F
- Harry told reporters he used to bury his head in the sand. T / F
- Prince Harry said it is good to be bad. T / F
- Harry encouraged people to help old ladies and open doors. T / F

Synonym Match

(The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

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| 1. exclusively | a. looks at |
| 2. candid | b. death |
| 3. at length | c. place |
| 4. loss | d. view |
| 5. perspective | e. open |
| 6. positive | f. fortunate |
| 7. views | g. only |
| 8. lucky | h. neighbourhood |
| 9. position | i. optimistic |
| 10. local | j. for a long time |

Discussion – Student A

- What do you know about Britain's Prince Harry?
- What difference do you make to people's lives?
- What more can you do to make a difference?
- Do royals have a bigger duty than others to make a difference?
- What difference could Prince Harry make?
- What do you do for charity?
- Who have you helped recently?
- What is the effect on the world of selfishness?

Phrase Match

1. fifth in line
 2. talked
 3. In a very candid
 4. the young prince spoke at
 5. given him a new perspective
 6. he did not always have such a positive
 7. he used to bury
 8. Now I'm just so fired
 9. lucky enough
 10. helping
- a. outlook on life
 - b. length
 - c. her across the road
 - d. on life
 - e. interview
 - f. up and energised
 - g. to the British throne
 - h. to be in a position
 - i. his head in the sand
 - j. exclusively

Discussion – Student B

- a) Have you ever buried your head in the sand?
- b) Have you ever fought against the system?
- c) Has your life ever changed 180 degrees?
- d) What can you do today to make a difference?
- e) What was the last thing you were fired up about?
- f) Why is it "boring to be bad"?
- g) How would the world be different if we all did good?
- h) What questions would you like to ask Prince Harry?

Spelling

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Answers – Synonym Match

1. g	2. e	3. j	4. b	5. d
6. i	7. a	8. f	9. c	10. h

Role Play

Role A – Teacher

You think a teacher is in the best position to make a difference. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their people can't make such a big difference. Also, tell the others who of these can make the least difference (and why): soldier, politician or prince.

Role B – Soldier

You think a soldier is in the best position to make a difference. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their people can't make such a big difference. Also, tell the others who of these can make the least difference (and why): teacher, politician or prince.

Role C – Politician

You think a politician is in the best position to make a difference. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their people can't make such a big difference. Also, tell the others who of these can make the least difference (and why): soldier, teacher or prince.

Role D – Prince

You think a prince is in the best position to make a difference. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their people can't make such a big difference. Also, tell the others who of these can make the least difference (and why): soldier, politician or teacher.

Speaking – Helpful people

Rank these with your partner. Put the people in the best position to make a difference at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- pilot
- politician
- prince
- journalist
- teacher
- nurse
- soldier
- lawyer

Answers – True False

a	F	b	F	c	T	d	T	e	F	f	T	g	F	h	T
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Answers to Phrase Match and Spelling are in the text.