Current Themes

Coronation: an occasion for tradition and celebration



1. Warmer

Discuss the following questions.

- · What do you know about the British Royal Family?
- · Can you name any of them?

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On May 6, 2023 the people of the United Kingdom will celebrate the start of a new era. King Charles will be officially crowned King after his mother, Queen Elizabeth II, passed away in September.

The ceremony will take place at Westminster Abbey in London. The procession will begin at Buckingham Palace and will travel to the Abbey. The ceremony will include the anointing of King Charles III with holy oil and the presentation of the Crown Jewels. His wife, the Queen Consort, will also be crowned.

The Crown Jewels are an essential part of the coronation ceremony. They have been used for centuries and are a symbol of the British monarchy. The Crown Jewels used in King Charles' coronation include St. Edward's Crown, made of gold and precious stones.



After the ceremony, there will be a reception at Buckingham Palace. Members of the royal family and other important guests will attend the reception. The main dish on the official menu is "Coronation Quiche", a type of pastry with egg, spinach, broad beans, and herbs.

Street parties throughout the United Kingdom will be held to celebrate King Charles III's Coronation. These parties will include food, music, and other festivities. Buckingham Palace has released the recipes for the official menu, so people can make the dishes at home.

Glossary:

- anoint (v.) to put oil on someone in a religious ceremony
- quiche (n.) a food that has base of pastry and a top made of egg and cheese

2. Understanding the article

- a. Match these words from the text to their definitions. Use a dictionary to help you.
 - 1. monarchy
 - 2. ceremony
 - 3. procession
 - 4. celebration
 - 5. reception
 - 6. presentation

- a. a formal public event with special traditions
- b. a formal party to celebrate something
- c. a party or special event
- d. a line of people moving in a slow and formal way
- e. the process of giving something at a ceremony
- f. a type of government in which a country is ruled by a king or queen



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- b. Are these statements True (T) or False (F) according to the article? Fix any false sentences.
 - 1. King Charles was crowned immediately after his mother passed away.
 - 2. The ceremony will be held at Buckingham Palace.
 - 3. The Crown Jewels are very important in the Coronation ceremony.
 - 4. After the ceremony, there will be a reception at Westminster Abbey.
 - 5. The main dish at the reception will be a quiche made of pastry, egg and spinach.
 - 6. Street parties will be held around the United Kingdom to celebrate the King's Coronation.
 - 7. Buckingham Palace doesn't want anyone to know the reception's menu.
 - 8. King Charles III's Coronation is an important event in the United Kingdom's history.

3. Exploring the topic

a.	Read the steps	of the Coronation	ceremony and	put them in the	correct order.
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 _ The King wears St Edward's Crown.
 People shout, "God Save the King!"
 The procession travels from Buckingham Palace to the Abbey.
 _ The archbishop anoints the King.
 The new King is presented to "the people".
 _ The King sits on the throne.
The archbishop administers the Coronation Oath.

- b. Imagine you are throwing a Coronation party to celebrate this occasion. Look at the list of dishes below and select the ones you would like to make. (You can find the official recipes at https://coronation.gov.uk/toolkit/)
 - The Coronation Quiche
 - Coronation Crown Scones
 - · Prawn Tacos with Pineapple Salsa
 - Coronation Aubergine
 - Strawberry and Ginger Trifle
 - Coronation Roast Rack of Lamb with Asian-style Marinade

