

The King's Speech

① INTRODUCTION Choose the correct answer.

The director of the film *The King's Speech* is ...

- ☐ Tom Hooper
- ☐ David Cameron
- ☐ Steven Spielberg

The film was released in ...

- ☐ 1935
- ☐ 2010
- ☐ 2015

The film genre is ...

- ☐ an action movie.
- ☐ a historical drama.
- ☐ a war film.

The central messages of the movie is that ...

- ☐ you cannot escape destiny when you are born a monarch.
- ☐ there are no true friends when you are a monarch.
- ☐ even people with difficulties are capable of overcoming their fears.

② Write an introductory sentence to the movie "The King's Speech" including title, director, date of release, genre and the central idea of the movie.

Example: *Mat Reeves' 2022 superhero movie "The Batman" follows the hero Batman, who is trying to expose crime and corruption. The central message of the film is the thin line between justice and vengeance and the importance of staying true to one's moral code in the face of struggles for existence.*

③ SUMMARY Choose the correct answer.

What is the name of the main character in the film?

- ☐ King Edward VIII
- ☐ King George VI
- ☐ King George V

Why does the main character struggle with public speaking?

- ☐ He has a speech impediment.
- ☐ He is afraid of crowds.
- ☐ He does not know what to say.

Who helps the main character with his speech impediment?

- ☐ His wife
- ☐ His brother
- ☐ A speech therapist

What is the main character's speech impediment?

- ☐ He stutters
- ☐ He speaks too quickly
- ☐ He speaks too quietly

What technique does the speech therapist use to help the main character?

- ☐ Singing
- ☐ Breathing exercises
- ☐ Listening to music

In what year does King George V die?

- ☐ 1925
- ☐ 1932
- ☐ 1936

Who becomes king after the death of King George V?

- ☐ King Edward VIII
- ☐ King George VI
- ☐ King George VII

In what year is King George VI crowned king?

- ☐ 1932
- ☐ 1936
- ☐ 1937

What event prompts the main character to give a speech?

- ☐ The death of his father.
- ☐ The outbreak of World War II.
- ☐ His brother's abdication.

How does the main character feel after giving his speech?

- ☐ Relieved
- ☐ Confused
- ☐ Frustrated

Why did Edward VIII abdicate the throne?

- ☐ He was not fit to rule due to poor health.
- ☐ He did not want to be king. He wanted to marry Wallis

In what year does Prince Albert give a speech at the closing ceremony of the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley Stadium?

- ☐ 1918
- ☐ 1925
- ☐ 1939

④ Fill in the gaps.

While "The King's Speech" focuses primarily on King and his struggles with his speech impediment, the film does offer some insights into the character of Queen , who would go on to become the longest-reigning in British history.

In the film, Queen Elizabeth II, then known as Elizabeth, is portrayed as a loving daughter who is deeply concerned for her father's well-being. She is often shown at his side during his therapy sessions with Logue. The film also highlights the challenges that Queen Elizabeth would face as a member of the family, particularly during the turbulent years leading up to II. As the daughter of the King and future , she is shown to be aware of her family's public image and the importance of projecting a sense of stability and unity to the people.

Overall, the film particularly shows her close with her father and her early experiences as a of the royal family.