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## What is queen elizabeth ii nickname

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When you think of the royals, you might think of the scandals and the opulent lifestyles — the jet setting and the gossip. But the royal family is a treasure trove of history! For 93 years now, modern royal history has revolved around Queen Elizabeth II! You know that she's in charge of the United Kingdom, and her family's history is full of turbulent events, but how much do you know about her life and her day-to-day existence? Since stepping into the role of the ruling monarch in 1953, Queen Elizabeth II has astounded her citizens with her tough but gracious style. However, her life before becoming the queen was quite different than any other queen who came before her. She's the first female royal to enlist in the military, and her background is full of unique experiences that have made her who she is today. And the way she lives now is equally as fascinating! As you go through the questions in this quiz, you are sure to learn something new about this real-life version of a Renaissance woman. You don't have to be a huge British history buff to get the questions right, but you do have to be open-minded about your perception of a queen. Will you get all of them right? TRIVIA How Well Do You Know "The Crown"? 6 Minute Quiz 6 Min TRIVIA How Much Do You Know About Queen Elizabeth II? 6 Minute Quiz 6 Min TRIVIA How Much Do You Know About Jimmy Carter? 6 Minute Quiz 6 Min TRIVIA How Much Do You Know About Frida Kahlo? 6 Minute Quiz 6 Min PERSONALITY This Royal Quiz Will Reveal Which Queen You Are! 5 Minute Quiz 5 Min PERSONALITY What to Gift Your Aunt Based on Her Personality 5 Minute Quiz 5 Min PERSONALITY What to Gift Your Daughter Based on Her Personality 5 Minute Quiz 5 Min PERSONALITY What to Gift Your Niece Based on Her Personality 5 Minute Quiz 5 Min PERSONALITY What to Gift Your Mother Based on Her Personality 5 Minute Quiz 5 Min TRIVIA How Much Do You Know About Elizabeth I? 5 Minute Quiz 5 Min How much do you know about dinosaurs? What is an octane rating? And how do you use a proper noun? Lucky for you, HowStuffWorks Play is here to help. Our award-winning website offers reliable, easy-to-understand explanations about how the world works. From fun quizzes that bring joy to your day, to compelling photography and fascinating lists, HowStuffWorks Play offers something for everyone. Sometimes we explain how stuff works, other times, we ask you, but we're always exploring in the name of fun! Because learning is fun, so stick with us! Playing quizzes is free! We send trivia questions and personality tests every week to your inbox. By clicking "Sign Up" you are agreeing to our privacy policy and confirming that you are 13 years old or over. Copyright © 2021 InfoSpace Holdings, LLC, a System1 Company Photo Courtesy: Netflix/IMDb The British Royal Family has long captured the interests and imaginations of the world, and the success of Netflix's original series The Crown proves that audiences everywhere are still enraptured and enthralled by royal intrigue. But the question of just how faithful the series may be is one many of us continue to wonder about. How much is fabricated drama to capture viewers' attention, and how much is historically accurate? The best way to tell truth from fiction is to dive right into both and do some research along the way. As Netflix prepares to debut the fourth season of the show in mid-November, let's explore what The Crown got perfectly right about Queen Elizabeth II's life — and what it got desperately wrong. The eighth episode of season one explores the too-public confrontation between Philip and Elizabeth during their 1954 tour of Australia. That a quarrel happened is completely factual and was recorded extensively by reporters who were on the scene. The spat didn't last terribly long, as Elizabeth quickly composed herself and apologized to the present members of the press for her outburst. Photo Courtesy: State Library of Queensland, Australia/Wikimedia Commons This scene is likely one of the truest to real life, surprisingly. While the cause of the brief quarrel is still and might forever remain unknown, the reactions of all parties involved are accurately represented in this first-season episode — yes, the Queen almost certainly did throw a tennis racket at Prince Philip. It is heavily implied in The Crown, if not outright shown, that Philip wasn't completely satisfied with his marriage to Elizabeth. Consequently, he's displayed pursuing romantic and sexual relationships with other women, including ballerina Galina Ulanova. While The Crown purports that this affair happened, there's zero evidence to back up this claim. Photo Courtesy: Keystone/Getty Images Prince Philip has enjoyed a long marriage to Queen Elizabeth II, and while they surely had some rough times together — as any marriage of such a length likely would — it's equally true that they seemed to bolster each other with support and help one another grow. His supposed indiscretions seem more like dramatic fabrications to create intrigue than truthful observations or revelations. Another season-one episode that caught the attention of audiences was episode four, "Act of God." It focused on the 1952 Great Smog that enveloped London and its citizens in a toxic chokehold. In the episode, you can see the effects of the poor air quality on Londoners, including the difficulty that automobile headlights had in piercing the thick, smoke-filled fog. Photo Courtesy: Bettmann/Getty Images This representation is fantastically true to life — the smog reduced visibility in some spots to just 15 feet or so — even if it doesn't directly show the thousands of people who died of health complications as a result of the smog. This episode does highlight Prime Minister Winston Churchill's unwillingness to take action to combat the issue, however. During the same episode, Churchill's secretary, Venetia Scott, is struck by a smog-cloaked vehicle and killed. This tragic event prompts the fictionalized Churchill to finally take action and begin the long process of clearing and cleaning London's toxic air. But Venetia Scott is a complete fabrication. She never existed and was created as a plot device for the show to "add a sense of tragedy." Photo Courtesy: Hulton Archive/Getty Images Instead, Churchill was finally pushed to help his people when the daily death tolls began to climb into the thousands. This truth isn't as piercingly dramatic as the fictional version, but it is far more tragic. On October 21, 1966, disaster befell the small Welsh community of Aberfan. The townspeople, like many in that part of the country, were mostly employed in the mining industry. The rocky waste produced by this mining, called "spoil," was stored not far from the homes of the nearby residents. Due to poor placement atop a steep elevation, this mountain of stored soil and rock slid from where it was deposited, becoming a deadly landslide that killed more than 100 people and deeply affected everyone in the town. Photo Courtesy: Bettmann/Getty Images While the country and nearby villages reached out to help Aberfan and the people working hard to free their homes from the spoil rubble, Queen Elizabeth II delayed her trip by more than a week. This didn't sit well with the locals or the British public in general. Unfortunately, this really did happen. Queen Elizabeth II seems to have very few regrets. Since her birth, she has been raised to be a woman of difficult-but-necessary choices — not a surprise, considering her position. This training and learned disposition show in her demeanor and life story. It's rare to hear her apologize or admit to a mistake. However, when it comes to the Aberfan disaster, the Queen regretted her lack of urgency. Photo Courtesy: Ronald Dumont/Express/Getty Images This decision wasn't made out of apathy, though. Queen Elizabeth II didn't lack empathy or compassion for the Welsh community. Instead, she delayed her arrival because she feared that her presence would distract rescue workers who might otherwise be tending to the injured or missing civilians. In The Crown, the Queen seems quite cold and unaffected by this tragedy. In real life, she cried as she walked down the streets of the village. She was affected by the despair she saw, and it proved to be a turning point in her views about emergency response. From that point forward, she made a conscious effort to always show up for her people during a crisis. The show does a terrible job of displaying this side of the famous monarch. As with many other beloved shows, The Crown was temporarily placed on hiatus when the COVID-19 pandemic began. However, a fourth season is on the way and is set to premiere on Netflix in November. Fans can expect to see Gillian Anderson take on the role of "Iron Lady" Margaret Thatcher in season four. While this upcoming run of episodes may not address Thatcher's appointment to Prime Minister, it's likely to at least build up to that moment. Time will tell how accurate this representation proves to be, but the choice to cast Anderson may draw some new viewers to the show. Photo Courtesy: Netflix/IMDb You can't think about the royal family's pets without thinking about Queen Elizabeth II's corgis. The canines have been a staple at Buckingham Palace throughout the monarch's reign. Now, according to recent reports, the royal family matriarch has welcomed two new additions. Here's more on those pups including their names and how many corgis the queen has today. Queen Elizabeth II pictured with her corgi Susan in 1952 | Bettmann / Contributor Getty Images How many dogs Queen Elizabeth has today Reader's Digest noted that Queen Elizabeth has had as many as 30 corgis over the last seven decades. Her most well-known dog was Monty who starred in the sketch with the queen and actor Daniel Craig during the opening ceremony of the 2012 London Olympic Games. Two months later, the 13-year-old canine died. In more recent years the monarch lost her beloved pups Willow and Whisper. Willow died in April 2018 six months before 12-year-old Whisper died following an illness. Whisper actually belonged to a staffer at the queen's Sandringham estate and after that employee's death in 2016, she took the canine in. "Whisper was a friendly chap and followed her everywhere," a palace source told the Daily Mail at the time, adding that the queen was devastated by the pooch's passing. Queen Elizabeth also had two dorgis (dachshund-corgi mixes) named Candy and Vulcan. Sadly, Vulcan passed away at Windsor Castle in 2020; leaving Candy as her only remaining dog until the two new pups arrived. Queen Elizabeth II walking her dogs at Windsor Castle | Julian Parker/UK Press via Getty Images The queen gave her new pups names with special meanings Because of the queen's advanced age, it was thought that she wouldn't be getting any new pups. "A few years ago it was decided she would have no more but her corgis are hugely important to her," said biographer Penny Junor. "The corgis are intensely loyal and loving and they have never let her down." So after Prince Philip was admitted to the hospital last February, the monarch decided to get more dorgis to keep her company. According to The Mirror, she named one Fergus after her uncle Fergus Bowes-Lyon who was killed in action during World War I. The other is named Muick (pronounced Mick). That name comes from Loch Muick on her Balmoral estate in Scotland. A source previously told The Sun: "Both [dogs] are said to be bringing in a lot of noise and energy into [Windsor] Castle while Philip is in hospital." They are not from her beloved corgi's lineage Then-Princess Elizabeth holding Sue in 1944 | Lisa Sheridan/Hulton Archive/Getty Images Queen Elizabeth's love for dogs began at a young age as Corgis have been a favorite of the royals for many years. She was given her first Pembroke Welsh Corgi on her 18th birthday. Then-Princess Elizabeth named her pup Susan and the two became inseparable. The queen later started a breeding program with pups bred from Susan's lineage. She has reportedly seen 14 generations of Susan's descendants. The new puppies, however, are not direct descendants of Sue. RELATED: Queen Elizabeth II Eats This Unhealthy Food Every Single Day Members of the royal family have a large number of people who work for them from chefs to chauffeurs to maids and butlers. And they give each of them a specific set of guidelines to follow daily. The royals also have rules in place that they go by as well including when it comes to their bathroom breaks. Read on to find out why Queen Elizabeth II doesn't want her household staff to be anywhere near the bathroom or know when she needs to go. Queen Elizabeth II | Max Mumby/Indigo/Getty Images RELATED: Queen Elizabeth II's Staffers Are Banned From Vacuuming Rugs in Buckingham Palace for Strange Reason The royals don't use a 'bathroom' or 'toilet' Members of Britain's most famous family don't use the word "toilet." Where they relieve themselves is called a "loo." House Beautiful noted that they don't say the word "bathroom" either unless there is an actual bathtub inside. So, if a royal is in the powder room that would be referred to as the "lavatory." They also never announce where they are going if they need to be excused for that purpose during a dinner party. They simply get up, say "excuse me," and must cross their knife and fork if they want to signal that they are not finished eating. For the monarch though, whenever she needs to use the lavatory is always a secret. Queen Elizabeth wants her privacy Queen Elizabeth II | Chris Jackson/Getty Images Although she's one of the most well-known women in the world who has lived most of her life in the public eye, Queen Elizabeth still likes her privacy when doing certain things. This is the case when she has to use the loo. Many people aren't comfortable with others hearing them when they are in the restroom. Well, the royal family matriarch is the same way. According to The Richest, one of the queen's royal rules she's particular about is that no one can know when she's going to the lavatory. The monarch likes to make sure staffers aren't within earshot when she relieves herself. The queen has some rules for when she bathes as well Queen Elizabeth II | Tim Graham Photo Library via Getty Images The queen has a specific set of rules when she takes a bath as well. According to the Daily Mail's royal correspondent Brian Hoey, a maid prepares her bath daily and checks not only that the water isn't too hot or too cold but also that the tub has just the right amount of water in it. "Her maid will go into the adjoining bathroom to draw the bath, which has to be exactly the right temperature: tested with a wooden-cased thermometer, and no more than seven inches of water," Hoey said. And when she's traveling and needs to bathe aboard the Royal Train the operators are instructed to drive carefully. The Express noted that she gets into the tub at 7:30 sharp and at that time drivers should be mindful not to hit bumps so the monarch can have a smooth bathing experience.



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