

History: The Coronation of King Charles III

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Key Facts and Significant Figures

Queen Elizabeth II	The longest serving British monarch. She was the mother of King Charles III.
King Charles III	The oldest child of Queen Elizabeth II. His coronation took place on 6 th May 2023.

- The Queen was one of only six female British monarchs; her reign lasted 70 years.
- Only those people over the age of 76 will remember Queen Elizabeth's coronation.
- The UK is the only country in Europe to still have a coronation. Many countries don't even have a King or Queen.

Key Vocabulary

Coronation	the ceremony of crowning a king or queen or a king or queen's consort
Monarch	head of state, especially a king, queen, or emperor
Ceremony	a formal religious or public occasion, typically one celebrating a particular event or anniversary
Succession	the action or process of inheriting a title, office, property
Inherit	receive (money, property, or a title) as an heir at the death of the previous holder
Royal	having the status of a king or queen or a member of their family



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Enquiry Questions

1. What is a coronation? What is it for and who is involved?
2. Who is King Charles III?
3. Why does the coronation matter?

Why don't you...

1. Find out what coronation events happened in your local area?
2. Research about an object that was used in the coronation and produce a fact sheet?
3. Plan your own coronation for if you were to be crowned king or queen?

Historical Skills

Develop an awareness of the past using relevant vocabulary to the passing of time.
 Understand that we have a monarch who rules us and that Britain has had a monarch for many years.
 Spot old and new things in a picture.
 Answer questions using an artefact/ photograph provided.
 Give a plausible explanation about what an object was used for in the past.

Historical Concepts

Empire – An understanding of the chronology of empires and how they have influenced and affected the world as we know it today.

Significance – Understanding how some events, ideas or people have had such a long-lasting impact on the world that they could be significant.