GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

HM (Her Majesty) Queen Elizabeth II celebrates 60 years on the throne over the weekend of 2–5 June 2012. The only other British monarch to celebrate a Diamond Jubilee was Queen Victoria in 1897. Queen Elizabeth II came to the throne on 6 February 1952, and her coronation, which took place on 2 June 1953, was watched on TV by millions of people. The Queen's coronation was the first ever to be televised and was also the world's first major international event to be broadcast on TV.

Elizabeth married Philip – a prince of Greek and Danish heritage – in 1952, and they have four children: Charles, Anne, Andrew and Edward. Philip was given the title Duke of Edinburgh shortly before his marriage to Elizabeth, and he also holds honorary appointments and ranks in the Armed Services.

Queen Elizabeth II is known for her handbags and hats, and has donned 5,000 of the latter during her reign. And as for what the Queen carries in her handbag, *Majesty* magazine reports that it holds a comb, a handkerchief, a small gold compact and a tube of lipstick. On Sundays, the Queen carries paper money to place in the collection plate at church.

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WILLIAM & KATE

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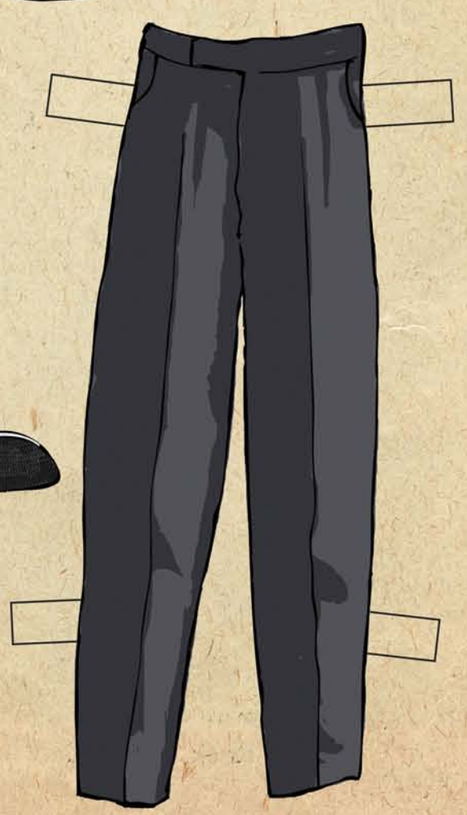
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HRH (His Royal Highness) Prince William of Wales and Miss Catherine Middleton married on 29 April 2011, so depending on whose definition you follow, they may still be considered newlyweds.

Prince William is the elder son of the Prince of Wales and the late Diana, Princess of Wales. Following his marriage to Kate, the title The Duke of Cambridge was conferred on him by his grandmother (the Queen), and Kate therefore became The Duchess of Cambridge.

The couple has made their home in Anglesey, Wales, where William is stationed as a fully operational Search and Rescue Pilot with the Royal Air Force. He is also still a Lieutenant in the Household Cavalry.

Kate is a big fan of Issa, and she has worn dresses by the designer on many occasions, including the famous blue dress she wore to the couple's engagement announcement. However, Kate's wedding dress was designed by Sarah Burton of Alexander McQueen. Although Kate has designer taste, she's also famed for rocking high street fashion like Reiss.

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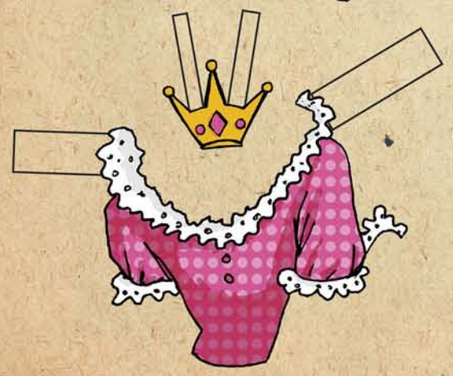
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THE CUTE AND CUDDLY ROYALS

Prince Henry (always known as Prince Harry) is the younger son of the Prince of Wales and the late Diana, the Princess of Wales. On his 18th birthday, the Queen gave Harry his own unique coat of arms.

In May 2005, Prince Harry entered Royal Military Academy Sandhurst to begin his training as an officer in the British Army. Prince Harry joined the Household Cavalry, and served in Afghanistan for more than two months from the end of 2007 to early 2008. He is now training to be a helicopter pilot with the Army Air Corps.

Over the years, The Royal Family have had scores of dogs as their family pets – from pugs to greyhounds, King Charles Spaniels to corgis. The Queen favours corgis, and at present she owns four: Linnet, Monty, Willo and Holly.

The corgis travel with the Queen to the various royal residences, and despite her busy schedule she looks after them herself as much as possible. It's said that the Queen always keeps a stash of chocolate drops in her handbag exclusively for them.