

# Queen Elizabeth II

**Date of birth:** 21st April, 1926

**Date of coronation:** 2nd June, 1953

## What Role Does Queen Elizabeth Have?

Queen Elizabeth II is extremely busy and has many roles. She is Head of the Church of England, Head of the Armed Forces, Head of State and Head of the Commonwealth. She often opens or closes the Commonwealth Games.

## The Royal Family

Queen Elizabeth II and Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, have four children. They have eight grandchildren. They also have five great-grandchildren.

## Record Breaking

Queen Elizabeth II has served for 64 years so far so she has been the Queen for the longest time. Queen Elizabeth II is the first Queen to become 90 years old.



### Fun Facts:

- 'The National Anthem' is about the Queen.
- The Queen has two birthdays.
- Corgis are her favourite dogs.
- She has nine thrones.



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- 2) \_\_\_\_\_



2. Which word in the text describes Queen Elizabeth completing her roles? Tick **one**.

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4. Do you think that Queen Elizabeth will still be the queen in 50 years time? Why?

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# Queen Elizabeth II Answers

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**Accept any of the following answers:**

- **Head of the Church of England;**
- **Head of the Armed Forces;**
- **Head of State;**
- **Head of the Commonwealth;**
- **opening / closing the Commonwealth Games.**

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**No, the text does not need to be read in the order it is written. Accept any reasonable explanation regarding the nature of non-fiction texts, such as:**

- **Each section can be read on its own, out of order.**
- **The text does not follow on from section to section – it is not a story.**
- **Each section contains only one type of idea.**
- **You can only read the section with a sub-heading you are interested in.**
- **You can use the text to find specific information you are looking for.**

4. Do you think that Queen Elizabeth will still be the queen in 50 years time? Why?

**No, it is not likely that Queen Elizabeth will still be the queen in 50 years time. Accept any reasonable answer regarding her age, e.g.:**

- **She is already over 90 years old.**
- **She may not be well enough to continue her role for much longer.**
- **It is unlikely that anyone lives to be 140 years old.**
- **She may give the job to one of her children so that she can retire.**