

CrossTalk

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About Elizabeth II



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(Elizabeth Alexandra Mary; born 21 April 1926) is the constitutional monarch of 16 sovereign states known as the

Commonwealth. On her accession in 1952, she became Head of the Commonwealth and Queen regent of several independent Commonwealth countries, including Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Pakistan and Ceylon. This year marks her Diamond Jubilee of 60 years on the English throne.

In 1947, she married Prince Phillip, Duke of Edinburgh and has four children: Charles, Anne, Andrew, and Edward. Her coronation took place in 1953.

Major events in the Queen's life include the involvement of the United Kingdom in numerous wars, including the Troubles in Northern Ireland, the Korean War, the Falkland Islands War, wars with Iraq and the War in Afghanistan. There have been times of personal grief which include the early loss of her father, the assassination of Lord Mountbatten, the breakdown of her children's marriages in 1992 (a year that she deemed *annus horribilis*), the death in 1997 of her daughter-in-law Diana, Princess of Wales, and the deaths of her mother and sister in 2002. The Queen has at times faced severe criticism from the press, and republican sentiments, both in the United Kingdom and other Commonwealth countries, but her popularity still remains high.

Since Elizabeth rarely gives interviews, little is known of her personal feelings, she has not expressed her own political opinions in public. She is Supreme Governor of the established Church of England, and worships with that church.

Regarding her wealth, in 1993, official Buckingham Palace statements called estimates of £100 million "grossly overstated" however in 2010, *Forbes* magazine estimated her net worth at around US\$450 million. *The Royal Collection*, which includes artworks and the Crown Jewels, are not owned by the Queen personally and are held in trust, as are Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle, and the Duchy of Lancaster, a property portfolio valued at £383 million in 2011. Sandringham House and Balmoral Castle are privately owned by the Queen. The British Crown Estate – with holdings of £7.3 billion in 2011, is held in trust for the nation (England), and, unluckily for her, cannot be sold or owned by Elizabeth in a private capacity.

Article by Matthew



Net News

NET LESSONS: Are you too busy to come to CROSSROADS?...Try our *lessons on the Internet!*

** Call for details: 089 9217595*

SITE OF THE MONTH:

Go here for some good photos of the Queen's Jubilee:

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/in-depth/queen-jubilee/gallery-fnaivo74-1226382221669?page=2>

Some Thoughts for the Month



Joshua Says: This month we welcome Craig to our teaching staff at Crossroads. He will be taking over many of your classes, so please welcome him and study hard for him. Also, this week the Okaido Saturday Night Market will start up again – You can get Darin’s pies again, and more. Please drop by when you’re in the neighbourhood on a Saturday and enjoy the fun – and the food!

Junko Says: I’d like to remind everyone that our school is a “WiFi Fun Spot”. This means that you can use our high-speed WiFi broadband freely with your i-phone, i-pad and WiFi mobile phones. Also, we have a second WiFi high-speed broadband setup that you can connect your PC’s to the Internet with. Please check our message board, or ask me directly, for the passwords for both systems.



Matthew Says: This month my mind is purely on football. Euro 2012 starts on Friday (8th) and I am very excited. Of course England is rubbish and boring but the whole tournament should be quite exciting. I enjoyed a great “warm-up” by watching Japan beat Oman 3-0 in what was a very good attacking display by the Japanese. Great stuff!

Craig Says: Hello everyone! I arrived in Matsuyama just a few days ago. On first impressions, it seems a lovely place, very friendly and quite lively! The weather is a little sticky at the moment and I have been warned that this will get worse. What is your favourite month for weather in Ehime?



Ludovic Dit: Houlàlà ! C’est bientôt le *tsuyu* : il va pleuvoir tout le temps, je vais être trempé ! Et ensuite, il va faire une chaleur épouvantable. Mais nom d’un chien, on va tous crever de chaud ! Que fait la police ? Elle ne peut pas arrêter la canicule ? Je vais fondre ! A l’aide ! Le Japon c’est terrible !

NOTICE BOARD



Don't miss.....

THE END-OF-TERM PARTY

Next month here at Crossroads;
Time 8:00pm;
On Saturday the 28th
July.....



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Would you like to use Crossroads' space for your own event? Parties, celebrations, seminars, in fact just about any function would be OK! Both the "open-house" and the roof-top garden are available on most Saturday evenings or Sundays at a very reasonable cost to you.

So if you're "all dressed up with no place to go", this could be the answer for you!

Those interested can make arrangements with Junko in our office.

(your) Pet's Corner

They were born four years ago in Sekigawa Elementary school in Sikkouchou City. In 2008 they were taken to Sakura Elementary school by Miss. Takechi. They were named Siro and Mimi by the students. Many students who liked rabbits came to see and hold them. They ran away because they don't like children.

Sometimes, I had to take them to the Vet. Two years ago, I started to keep them in my house because they are too frail to be left in the care of the other teachers.

Siro has blue eyes. He suffers from an eye illness and I have to apply medicine to his eyes twice a day. Mimi has brown eyes. He often has the runs, so I give him grains of lactic acid bacilli every day. He tends to wee when I look at him. They are both very tame with me. Would you keep a rabbit?

From In(b)1's Masako Kubota:

I have two rabbits.



* If you'd like to feature your pet on this page, just ask your teacher to arrange it for you.

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英語+実践練習

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90分 x 1回/週:

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月2回からレッスン回数自由選択

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COSMOPOLITAN (コスモポリタン) コース

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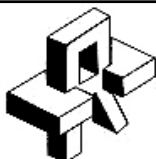
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MOTHER & CHILD

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