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PRINCESS DIANA

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

Lady Diana Spencer was born in 1961. She had a normal, quiet upbringing. It could never have prepared her for the fame and glamour of being a British princess. Within a few years, she changed from being a shy teenager to the most photographed person on the planet. She hit newspaper headlines around the world, but the biggest one was for her death at the age of 36.

Diana was a kindergarten teacher in London when she caught the interest of Prince Charles. She won the hearts of a nation with her shy smiles and natural beauty. The whole world watched the fairytale royal wedding in 1981. A year later, she gave birth to Prince William, the first of her two sons.

Diana was nervous at first in public, but she soon developed a charming manner. She took a strong interest in many charities and important causes. She highlighted the suffering of the homeless, lepers and AIDS victims. She also campaigned for the abolition of landmines and many countries banned them.

Diana and Charles divorced in 1996. She struggled with depression and eating disorders for many years after. She finally found happiness with an Egyptian film producer, Dodi Al-Fayed. Their romance was closely followed by the paparazzi, which led to the fatal car crash that killed her in Paris in 1997. At her funeral, British Prime Minister Tony Blair called her the "People's Princess". To many, she was simply the "Queen of Hearts".

243 words Flesch Kinkaid 7.4 **SYNONYM MATCH:** Match the words from the article on the left with their synonyms on the right. Are your answers the same as other students'?

Paragraphs 1 and 2

1.	upbringing	a.	attention

- ² fame
- 3. within
- 4. interest
- 5. won
- 6. natural

Paragraphs 3 and 4

- 7. in public
- 8. causes
- 9. abolition
- 10. depression
- 11 disorders
- ¹² fatal

g. missions

inside

pure

captured

childhood

stardom

b.

с.

d.

е.

f.

- h. ending
- *i.* deadly
- *j.* illnesses
- *k* unhappiness
- / in full view of people

PHRASE MATCH: Match the following phrases from the article.

1. headlines around the world She had a normal, a. 2 the most photographed b. and eating disorders 3. She hit newspaper in many charities С. 4. she caught the interest quiet upbringing d. 5. She won the hearts of a suffering of the homeless е. 6. She took a strong interest nation with her shy smiles f. 7. She highlighted the person on the planet g. 8. She also campaigned for the the "Queen of Hearts" h. 9. of Prince Charles She struggled with depression i. 10. To many, she was simply j. abolition of landmines

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LISTENING GAP FILL:

Lady Diana Spencer was born in 1961. She had a _______. It could never have prepared her for the _______ being a British princess. Within a few years, she changed from being a shy teenager to the most photographed person on the planet. She hit newspaper headlines around the world, but the biggest _______ at the age of 36.

Diana was a kindergarten teacher in London when ______ Prince Charles. She won the hearts of a nation with ______ beauty. The whole world watched the fairytale royal wedding in 1981. A year later, she gave birth to Prince William, ______ sons.

Diana was ______, but she soon developed a charming manner. She took _______ charities and important causes. She highlighted the suffering of the homeless, lepers and AIDS victims. She also campaigned ______ landmines and many countries banned them.

Diana and Charles divorced in 1996. She ______ and eating disorders for many years after. She finally found happiness with an Egyptian film producer, Dodi Al-Fayed. Their romance was closely followed by the paparazzi, which ______ that killed her in Paris in 1997. At her funeral, British Prime Minister Tony Blair called her the "People's Princess". To ______ "Queen of Hearts".

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CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD:

Delete the wrong word in each of the pairs of italics.

Lady Diana Spencer was born in 1961. She had a *abnormal / normal*, quiet upbringing. It could never have prepared her for the fame and *glamour / glamorous* of being a British princess. Within a few years, she changed from being a shy teenager to the most photographed person on the planet. She *hits / hit* newspaper headlines around the world, but the biggest one was for her *death / dead* at the age of 36.

Diana was a kindergarten teacher in London when she *catch / caught* the interest of Prince Charles. She won the hearts of a nation with her *shy / shyness* smiles and natural beauty. The *whole / all* world watched the fairytale royal wedding in 1981. A year later, she *given / gave* birth to Prince William, the first of her two sons.

Diana was nervous at *one / first* in public, but she soon developed a charming manner. She took a strong *interesting / interest* in many charities and important causes. She highlighted the suffering of the *homes / homeless*, lepers and AIDS victims. She also campaigned for the *abolition / abolish* of landmines and many countries banned them.

Diana and Charles divorced in 1996. She *struggled / struggling* with depression and eating disorders for many years after. She finally found happiness with an Egyptian film producer, Dodi Al-Fayed. Their *romantic / romance* was closely followed by the paparazzi, which led to the *fatal / fatality* car crash that killed her in Paris in 1997. At her funeral, British Prime Minister Tony Blair called her the "People's Princess". To many, she was *simply / simple* the "Queen of Hearts".

SPELLING:

These jumbled words are from the text. Spell them correctly.

Paragraph 1

- 1. She had a normal, <u>uteiq</u> upbringing.
- 2. <u>raeeprpd</u> her for the fame
- 3. the most photographed person on the <u>anltep</u>
- 4. her <u>tdeha</u> at the age of 36

Paragraph 2

- 5. she caught the <u>tteesrni</u> of Prince Charles
- 6. She won the <u>tsahre</u> of a nation
- 7. The whole world watched the fairytale <u>aoyrl</u> wedding
- 8. she gave <u>trihb</u> to Prince William

Paragraph 3

- 9. Diana was nervous at first in <u>iblucp</u>
- 10. She took a strong <u>rnsttiee</u> in many charities
- 11. She highlighted the <u>ensfigrfu</u> of the homeless
- 12. She also campaigned for the <u>otilnobai</u> of landmines

Paragraph 4

- 13. Diana and Charles <u>oiecdrdv</u> in 1996.
- 14. She finally found <u>ipnsspeha</u>
- 15. the fatal car <u>acrhs</u> that killed her
- 16. To many, she was <u>slypim</u> the "Queen of Hearts".

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () landmines and many countries banned them.
- () the "People's Princess". To many, she was simply the "Queen of Hearts".
- () manner. She took a strong interest in many charities and important causes. She highlighted the suffering of the
- () royal wedding in 1981. A year later, she gave birth to Prince William, the first of her two sons.
- () homeless, lepers and AIDS victims. She also campaigned for the abolition of
- () British Prime Minister Tony Blair called her
- () Diana was a kindergarten teacher in London when she caught the interest
- () her for the fame and glamour of being a British princess. Within a few years, she changed from being a shy
- () closely followed by the paparazzi, which led to the fatal car crash that killed her in Paris in 1997. At her funeral,
- (**1**) Lady Diana Spencer was born in 1961. She had a normal, quiet upbringing. It could never have prepared
- () one was for her death at the age of 36.
- () Diana and Charles divorced in 1996. She struggled with depression and eating
- () of Prince Charles. She won the hearts of a nation with her shy smiles and natural beauty. The whole world watched the fairytale
- () teenager to the most photographed person on the planet. She hit newspaper headlines around the world, but the biggest
- () disorders for many years after. She finally found happiness with an Egyptian film producer, Dodi Al-Fayed. Their romance was
- () Diana was nervous at first in public, but she soon developed a charming

SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

With your partner, put the words back into the correct order.

- 1. a , upbringing had normal quiet She
- 2. planet most person the the photographed on
- 3. She newspaper around world hit headlines the
- 4. a She the of nation won hearts
- 5. world whole The wedding royal fairytale the watched
- 6. she manner charming a developed soon
- 7. of abolition the for campaigned also She landmines
- 8. struggled depression eating She with and disorders
- 9. with She an finally Egyptian found film happiness producer
- 10. the car that her fatal crash killed

DISCUSSION (Write your questions): <u>STUDENT A's OUESTIONS</u> (Do not show these to student B)

- 1. What do you know about Princess Diana?
- 2. Would you like to have met Princess Diana?
- 3. What would you like to know about Princess Diana and why?

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5.	
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DISCUSSION (Write your questions): <u>STUDENT B's QUESTIONS</u> (Do not show these to student A)

1. What did you learn from this text about Princess Diana?

- 2. What questions would you like to have asked Princess Diana?
- 3. What would her answers to those questions have been?

4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	

THE PRINCESS DIANA SURVEY:

Write five questions about Princess Diana in the table. Do this in pairs/groups. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

Without your partner, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1	STUDENT 2	STUDENT 3
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

Return to your original partner(s) and share and talk about what you found out. Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITING:

Write about Princess Diana for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find more information about Princess Diana. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. PRINCESS DIANA POSTER: Make a poster showing the different stages of the life of Princess Diana. Show your poster to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all find out similar things?

4. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Princess Diana. Include imaginary interviews with her friends. Write about what she did every day and what she thought about.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

5. LETTER: Write a letter to a princess. Ask her three questions about her life. Give her three suggestions on what she should do in her future. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your "princess expert" partner(s) will try and answer your questions.

ANSWERS

SYNONYM MATCH:

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Paragraphs 3 and 4

- 7. in public
- 8. causes
- 9. abolition
- 10. depression
- 11 disorders
- 12 fatal

PHRASE MATCH:

- 1. She had a normal,
- 2 the most photographed
- 3. She hit newspaper
- 4. she caught the interest
- 5. She won the hearts of a
- 6. She took a strong interest
- 7. She highlighted the
- 8. She also campaigned for the
- 9. She struggled with depression
- 10. To many, she was simply

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Look at the text on page 2.

- childhood а.
- b. stardom
- inside с.
- d. attention
- е. captured
- f. pure
- g. in full view of people
- h. missions
- i. ending
- unhappiness j.
- illnesses k
- 1 deadly
 - quiet upbringing а.
 - *b.* person on the planet
 - headlines around the world С.
 - of Prince Charles d.
 - e. nation with her shy smiles
 - f. in many charities
 - suffering of the homeless g.
 - h. abolition of landmines
 - i. and eating disorders
 - the "Queen of Hearts" j.