

TV ON TIME.....

Read the article and then write if the sentences are T (TRUE) F (FALSE) OR NG (NOT GIVEN) (solo colocar T, F OR NG)



the Marconiphone 702

Completely reliable ... and built to last

It was made over seven decades ago – and unlike modern gadgets it is completely reliable: it was built to last.

A television that was around for King George VI's 1937 Coronation and survived the Second World War is now thought to be Britain's oldest working set.

The black-and-white Marconiphone 702 dates back to 1936 and is still in its original condition. It has a 12-inch screen and was manufactured around November 1936, the same month as the BBC television service from Alexandra Palace was first broadcast.

The set is likely to have screened landmark occasions including George VI's Coronation Procession, the 1948 London Olympic Games and the Queen's Coronation in 1953. When new, it cost 60 Guineas – the equivalent of around £11,000 today.

The set has been converted from analogue to digital, bringing it firmly into the twenty-first century. Jeffrey Borinsky, a consultant engineer from North London, entered a competition to find the country's oldest TV. He has owned the set for ten years. He said: 'I still enjoy watching my Marconiphone occasionally, especially cartoons from the 1930s, which the original owner might also have seen on the set. Now it is digital, it can be used for many years to come.'

The competition was set up in May by Iain Logie Baird, television curator at the National Media Museum in Bradford and grandson of the inventor of TV, John Logie Baird. He said: 'A small fraction of pre-War televisions still exist – many stopped working or were simply thrown out when a newer set arrived, and we know about 3,000 were lost in the London bombings.'

The set will join a display of televisions from across the ages at the National Media Museum.

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| 1 | The television is in excellent working order. | ☐ |
| 2 | It was removed from London during the Second World War. | ☐ |
| 3 | It is possible to use the television to watch digital TV. | ☐ |
| 4 | Jeffrey Borinsky has owned the television since it was made. | ☐ |
| 5 | Jeffrey particularly likes watching old programmes on the set. | ☐ |
| 6 | Iain Logie Baird is an inventor. | ☐ |
| 7 | The majority of pre-War TVs were destroyed during the War. | ☐ |
| 8 | The television will now go to a museum. | ☐ |

Complete the ideas with the correct passive voice context

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| 1 | In 1939 people could only receive one channel – the BBC.
In 1939 only one channel _____ – the BBC. |
| 2 | In the 1930s a television was owned for ten to fifteen years.
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