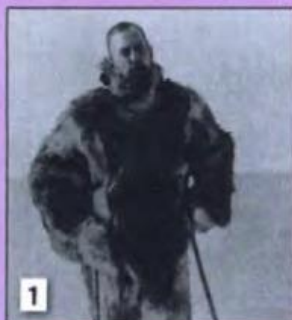
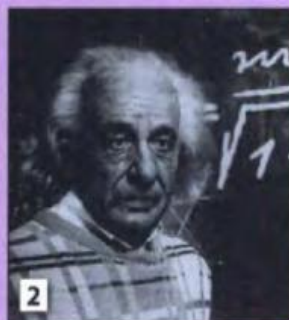


# 53 Events in history

Date	Event
1909	Robert Peary <b>claimed</b> he was the first person to reach the North Pole, but later that <b>claim</b> was <b>challenged</b> .
1911	The Norwegian, Roald Amundsen <sup>1</sup> , <b>led</b> the first Antarctic <b>expedition</b> that successfully reached the South Pole.
1915	Einstein <sup>2</sup> <b>developed</b> his <b>Theory</b> of Relativity over a <b>decade</b> , finally completing it in 1915.
1923	Turkey became a <b>republic</b> , and Mustafa Kemal Atatürk became its first <b>president</b> .
1928	Alexander Fleming <b>discovered</b> penicillin.
1947	India <b>gained independence</b> .
1953	After the death of <b>King</b> George VI, his daughter <b>Princess</b> Elizabeth became <b>Queen</b> Elizabeth II <sup>3</sup> .
1986	An explosion at the Chernobyl <b>nuclear power station</b> in Ukraine became one of the world's worst man-made disasters.
1989	Charles Babbage <b>invented</b> the first mechanical computer in the early 19 <sup>th</sup> century. The <b>invention</b> of the World Wide Web was in 1989 by Tim Berners-Lee. This was made <b>available</b> to the public in 1991.
1990	Nelson Mandela <sup>4</sup> was <b>released</b> from prison. Mandela's life was one of constant <b>challenges</b> . He later became president of South Africa.



1 Roald Amundsen



2 Albert Einstein



3 Queen Elizabeth II



4 Nelson Mandela

## GLOSSARY

<b>claim</b>	say that sth is true <b>claim</b> <i>n</i>	<b>gain independence</b>	become free from control by another country <b>SYN become independent</b>
<b>challenge</b>	say that you think sb/sth is wrong	<b>nuclear</b>	using the energy that is produced when the central part of an atom is broken: <b>nuclear power</b>
<b>lead</b>	control a group of people. A person who <b>leads</b> is the <b>leader</b> .	<b>power station</b>	a place where electricity is produced
<b>pt/pp led</b>		<b>invent</b>	make or think of sth for the first time <b>invention</b> <i>n</i>
<b>expedition</b>	a journey to do or find sth special	<b>available</b>	ready for you to use, have or see
<b>develop</b>	grow slowly, increase, or change into sth else; make sb/sth do this <b>development</b> <i>n</i>	<b>release</b>	allow sb to be free <b>release</b> <i>n</i>
<b>theory</b>	an idea or a set of ideas that tries to explain sth	<b>challenge</b>	sth new or difficult that forces you to make a lot of effort
<b>decade</b>	a period of ten years		
<b>republic</b>	a country with a president, but with no king or queen		
<b>president</b>	the leader of a country with no king or queen		
<b>discover</b>	find sth that nobody had found before <b>discovery</b> <i>n</i>		

## SPOTLIGHT royal families

A **royal** family is one connected with a **king** or **queen**. A man who **rules** a country (= has power over a country) is a king; a woman who rules is a queen. The son or grandson of a king or queen is a **prince**; the daughter or granddaughter is a **princess**. A country that has a king or queen is a **monarchy**.



- 1 Underline the main stress in these words. Two words have two possible stress patterns. Use the **APP** to help you. Practise saying the words.

- |            |             |             |                 |
|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| ▶ release  | 3 republic  | 6 monarchy  | 9 development   |
| 1 decade   | 4 develop   | 7 available | 10 independence |
| 2 princess | 5 president | 8 discovery | 11 nuclear      |

- 2 Find pairs of words in the box that often go together.

prince ✓	king	invention	monarchy	decade	nuclear
discovery	power	queen	century	princess ✓	republic

- ▶ prince/princess

- 3 Cover the glossary. Complete the definitions.

- ▶ A monarchy is a country with a king or queen.
- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1 If you become free from control by another country, you become ..... | 6 An idea or a set of ideas that tries to explain something is a .....                |
| 2 The daughter of a king or queen is a .....                           | 7 A journey to do or find something special is an .....                               |
| 3 A country with no king or queen is a .....                           | 8 Something new or difficult to do that forces you to make a lot of effort is a ..... |
| 4 A family connected with kings or queens is a ..... family.           | 9 A place where electricity is produced is a .....                                    |
| 5 The leader of a country with no king or queen is usually the .....   |   |

- 4 Complete the sentences.

- ▶ Margrethe II of Denmark became queen after her father King Frederick IX died in 1972.
- Martin Cooper ..... the mobile phone in April 1973, and a decade later the first Motorola mobile phones were made ..... to the public.
  - For a long time, people believed that Christopher Columbus ..... America, but in recent years many people have ..... that belief.
  - Prince William is a member of the British ..... family.
  - Ronald Reagan was elected ..... of the US in 1980.
  - In 1975, ..... Juan Carlos became ..... of Spain, and he ..... until 2014.
  - Argentina gained ..... in 1816, and Brazil became ..... in 1822.
  - Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn spent eight years in prison before he was ..... in 1953.
  - Freud believed children went through different stages of sexual ..... before they became adults.
  - In 1911, Captain Scott ..... a British ..... to reach the South Pole, but the Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen got there first. Scott died in Antarctica soon after.
  - In 2011, a serious accident happened at a ..... power station in Fukushima, Japan.

- 5 Complete these questions about events in world history.

- ▶ Chuck Berry is the father of rock'n roll, but who is the king of rock'n roll?
- Who published his ..... of evolution in 1859?
  - King Abdullah II is married to ..... Rania. Which country does he rule?
  - Who was ..... of the US from 2009-2017?
  - In which ..... did people start using Facebook? Was it the 2000s or the 2010s?
  - Who was Diana, ..... of Wales? She was killed in a car crash in Paris in 1997.
  - Which country became a ..... in 1917 after being ruled by the Romanovs?
  - Who is the Supreme ..... of North Korea?
  - Who ..... he was the first person to climb Mount Everest in 1953? (Most people still believe it, but some people have ..... that .....)
  - Who ..... a theory of the psyche involving the ego and super ego?

#### ABOUT YOU

Elvis Presley

- 6 **ABOUT YOU** Write your answers to the questions in Exercise 5, or answer them with another student. If you don't know any answers, use the internet to help you.



TEST YOURSELF