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Extrait p. 135 – Article “How Queen Elizabeth modernised the monarchy”, d’après Mikhaila Friel, *businessinsider.com*

How Queen Elizabeth modernised the monarchy

The Queen’s coronation was the first royal coronation to be televised.

Elizabeth II was crowned Queen on June 2, 1953, after the death of King George VI the year before. The ceremony had some traditional elements.

However, the Queen also modernised the coronation by allowing it to be televised for the first time in history, according to the royal website. An estimated 27 million people in the UK watched the ceremony, and for most people, it was the first time they had watched a live event on television, the website added.

Her Majesty invented the royal walkabout, forever changing the way the royals interact with the public.

The Royal Family often meet and shake hands with members of the public before official events, which has come to be known as a “royal walkabout.” However, the practice of royals meeting the public didn’t start until the Queen’s tour of New Zealand and Australia in 1970.

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The Royal Family joined Instagram in 2013, but Her Majesty didn’t write her first post until 2019.

On the official Royal Family account, she posted two photos of a letter written to Queen Victoria and Prince Albert from Charles Babbage, the world’s first computer engineer, displayed¹ at London’s Science Museum. She signed the post “Elizabeth R,” her official signature as monarch.

Adapted from Mikhaila Friel, *businessinsider.com*, 2022

1. *exposer*

Extrait p. 136 – Extrait de Chelsey Sanchez, “A Cause That’s Close to Her Heart”, *harpersbazaar.com*

A Cause That’s Close to Her Heart

Princess Kate’s newest initiative is supporting organisations that are making resources easily accessible to families across the United Kingdom.

This week, the Royal Foundation Centre for Early Childhood, a “hub” organisation Kate founded in 2021, announced the launch of the Baby Bank¹ Alliance, which will unite 300 baby banks in the U.K. and help them continue their work supporting children, parents, and caregivers.

The foundation shared the exciting news on Instagram, including photos of Kate’s previous visits to various charities across the country. One snapshot shows Kate assembling gift bags with her daughter, Princess Charlotte, during a visit to a baby bank in Maidenhead, England, last December. (Kate’s two other kids—Prince George and Prince Louis—also joined their mom in volunteering² at the bank.)

“Over the past few years, the Princess of Wales has visited several baby banks to highlight their crucial work in supporting families with babies and young children,” the caption read. “Organisations like baby banks play a vital role in helping to give parents and carers³ the capacity to provide the nurturing care which is so important to babies and young children.” [...]

The alliance is the latest venture⁴ for Kate in the realm of early childhood development, a cause she has long held close to her heart. For the past decade, much of her work as a member of the royal family has involved researching the connection between children’s social and environmental experiences at a young age and their mental and physical development as adults.

Chelsey Sanchez, *harpersbazaar.com*, 2023

1. a charity offering goods for babies and children 2. être bénévole 3. aidants

4. project

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Extrait d'un article "What a Prince William Monarchy and Coronation Could Look Like", *Harpersbazaar*

Though it's impossible to know when Prince William—and, as his queen consort, Princess Kate—will take the throne, Harper's Bazaar shared exclusively that it is anticipated that day will come "earlier than expected" and "sooner rather than later." Whenever the time comes, a monarchy under King William and Queen Catherine "will look much less formal, less stiff¹ than it has been under [King] Charles," royal author Tom Quinn tells Bazaar. "What we can expect to see when William and Kate take the throne is a much more emotionally engaged couple. And it's partly because I think they want to be a king and queen who are seen to engage much more with ordinary people in a very relaxed way." [...]

When the monarchy changes hands from Charles to William, the central constitutional role of the monarchy won't change, royal biographer Robert Hardman says, "Just as it hasn't changed with King Charles." [...]

Hardman predicts William's future reign will be "very practical" and will represent "a natural modernization." [...]

William will be focused on making the monarchy appealing² for the next generation, Hardman says, not the least of which are the three members of the next generation under his roof: Prince George, 11, Princess Charlotte, 9, and Prince Louis, 6.

harpersbazaar.com, 2025

1. rigid, not flexible **2.** attractive