

QUEEN RANIA

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

Jordan's Queen Rania is a very modern monarch. She has worked for companies like Citibank and Apple Computer and appeared on the Oprah Winfrey Show. She also uses YouTube to help people around the world understand more about the Arab world. She became a Jordanian royal after marrying King Abdullah bin Al-Hussein in June 1993, six months after they met.

She was born as Rania Al-Yassin in Kuwait in 1970. Her parents were Palestinian. She graduated from the American University in Cairo with a degree in Business Administration. She is frequently in the Forbes magazine list of the 100 most powerful women in the world. Being an honorary colonel of the Jordanian Armed Forces might help keep her there.

Queen Rania is famous around the world for her charity work. She fights for education reform and better school facilities for poor children. She is a strong believer in the need for compulsory English language classes at schools. She is involved with a great variety of organizations and campaigns for better vaccines, cancer research, family safety and many more worthy causes.

Harpers & Queen magazine named her the world's third most beautiful woman in 2005. She is a very strong supporter of women's rights. She tours the world talking about women's issues at international conferences. In particular, she speaks about people's misunderstandings about women's role in Islam. She inspires women around the world and works to improve their lives.

237 words

Flesch Kinkaid 9.7

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. monarch | a. regularly |
| 2. like | b. bachelor's |
| 3. understand | c. such as |
| 4. degree | d. influential |
| 5. frequently | e. ruler |
| 6. powerful | f. make sense of |

Paragraphs 3 and 4

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|---------------|--------------|
| 7. fights | g. resources |
| 8. facilities | h. motivates |
| 9. worthy | i. champion |
| 10. supporter | j. campaigns |
| 11. inspires | k. advance |
| 12. improve | l. important |

PHRASE MATCH: Match the following phrases from the article.

- | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Queen Rania is a very | a. women around the world |
| 2. understand more | b. Business Administration |
| 3. She was born as | c. facilities |
| 4. a degree in | d. English language classes |
| 5. the 100 most powerful | e. about the Arab world |
| 6. better school | f. causes |
| 7. the need for compulsory | g. women in the world |
| 8. many more worthy | h. modern monarch |
| 9. misunderstandings about | i. Rania Al-Yassin in Kuwait |
| 10. She inspires | j. women's role in Islam |

LISTENING GAP FILL:

Jordan's Queen Rania _____ monarch. She has worked for companies like Citibank and Apple Computer _____. Oprah Winfrey Show. She also uses YouTube to help people around the world understand _____ world. She became a Jordanian royal after marrying King Abdullah bin Al-Hussein in June 1993, _____ met.

_____ Rania Al-Yassin in Kuwait in 1970. Her parents were Palestinian. She graduated from the American University in Cairo _____ Business Administration. She _____ Forbes magazine list of the 100 most powerful women in the world. Being an honorary colonel of the Jordanian Armed Forces _____ there.

Queen Rania is famous around the world _____. She fights for education reform and _____ for poor children. She is a strong believer _____ compulsory English language classes at schools. She is involved with a great variety of organizations and campaigns for better vaccines, cancer research, family safety and _____ causes.

Harpers & Queen magazine _____ third most beautiful woman in 2005. She is a _____ of women's rights. She tours the world talking about women's issues at international conferences. In particular, she speaks about people's misunderstandings _____ in Islam. _____ around the world and works to improve their lives.

CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD:

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

Jordan's Queen Rania is a very modern *monarchy / monarch*. She has worked for companies like Citibank and Apple Computer and appeared *on / in* the Oprah Winfrey Show. She also uses YouTube to help people around the world understand *many / more* about the Arab world. She became a Jordanian royal after marrying King Abdullah bin Al-Hussein in June 1993, six months after they *meeting / met*.

She was born *name / as* Rania Al-Yassin in Kuwait in 1970. Her parents were Palestinian. She graduated from the American University in Cairo with a *degrees / degree* in Business Administration. She is *frequently / frequent* in the Forbes magazine list of the 100 most powerful women in the world. Being an honorary colonel of the Jordanian Armed Forces might help keep her *here / there*.

Queen Rania is famous around the world *from / for* her charity work. She fights for education reform and better school facilities for poor *children / child*. She is a strong *believer / belief* in the need for compulsory English language classes at schools. She is involved with a great variety of organizations and campaigns for better vaccines, cancer research, family *safely / safety* and many more worthy causes.

Harpers & Queen magazine named her the world's third most beautiful *women / woman* in 2005. She is a very *strong / strength* supporter of women's rights. She *touring / tours* the world talking about women's issues at international conferences. In particular, she speaks about people's misunderstandings about women's role in Islam. She inspires women around the world and works to *improve / improvement* their lives.

SPELLING:

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

Paragraph 1

1. a very ormdne monarch
2. eaprpade on the Oprah Winfrey Show
3. understand more about the Arab owrdl
4. She became a Jordanian ryaol

Paragraph 2

5. Her rstpena were Palestinian
6. She rageuadtd from the American University
7. She is yfelqtenur in the Forbes magazine
8. most fwprluoe women in the world

Paragraph 3

9. famous around the world for her ihatcyr work
10. better school fcaelsiit
11. the need for compulsory English ulgnagea classes
12. involved with a great yetravi of organizations

Paragraph 4

13. the world's rdthi most beautiful woman
14. She is a very strong utseorppr of women's rights
15. In rirlapauct, she speaks about people's misunderstandings
16. She eiirnssp women around the world

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () the American University in Cairo with a degree in Business Administration. She is frequently in the Forbes magazine list of the 100
- () need for compulsory English language classes at schools. She is involved with a great variety of organizations
- () marrying King Abdullah bin Al-Hussein in June 1993, six months after they met.
- () around the world understand more about the Arab world. She became a Jordanian royal after
- () particular, she speaks about people's misunderstandings about women's role in Islam. She inspires
- () Harpers & Queen magazine named her the world's third most beautiful woman in 2005. She is a very strong
- () She was born as Rania Al-Yassin in Kuwait in 1970. Her parents were Palestinian. She graduated from
- () most powerful women in the world. Being an honorary colonel of the Jordanian Armed Forces might help keep her there.
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- () and Apple Computer and appeared on the Oprah Winfrey Show. She also uses YouTube to help people
- () Queen Rania is famous around the world for her charity work. She fights for
- () and campaigns for better vaccines, cancer research, family safety and many more worthy causes.
- () supporter of women's rights. She tours the world talking about women's issues at international conferences. In
- () education reform and better school facilities for poor children. She is a strong believer in the
- () women around the world and works to improve their lives.

SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

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

1. Jordan's monarch modern very a is Rania Queen

2. Citibank has for like She worked companies

3. more understand world Arab the about

4. graduated She Cairo in University American the from

5. the most women of 100 powerful list

6. fights reform for She education

7. for facilities school better children poor

8. language English compulsory schools at classes

9. women's very rights strong She supporter is of a

10. She world the around women inspires

DISCUSSION (Write your questions):

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What do you know about Queen Rania?
2. Would you like to meet Queen Rania?
3. What would you like to know about Queen Rania and why?
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

DISCUSSION (Write your questions):

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. What did you learn from this text about Queen Rania?
2. What questions would you like to ask Queen Rania?
3. What would her answers be to those questions?
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

THE QUEEN RANIA SURVEY:

Write five questions about Queen Rania 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.

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 Queen Rania. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. QUEEN RANIA POSTER: Make a poster showing the different stages of the life of Queen Rania. 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 Queen Rania. Include an imaginary interview with her. Write about what she does every day and what she thinks 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 Queen Rania. 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 "Queen Rania expert" partner(s) will try and answer your questions.

ANSWERS

SYNONYM MATCH:

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| 2. understand more | b. about the Arab world |
| 3. She was born as | c. Rania Al-Yassin in Kuwait |
| 4. a degree in | d. Business Administration |
| 5. the 100 most powerful | e. women in the world |
| 6. better school | f. facilities |
| 7. the need for compulsory | g. English language classes |
| 8. many more worthy | h. causes |
| 9. misunderstandings about | i. women's role in Islam |
| 10. She inspires | j. women around the world |

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Look at the text on page 2.