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TEXTO

65 YEARS ON THE THRONE

On the 6th February 2017, Elizabeth II became the first British monarch to reach a Blue Sapphire Jubilee, 65 years to the day since she ascended the throne.

The country celebrated this anniversary by creating a new five-pound coin. It will contain the words the queen said nearly 70 years ago, the day she turned 21: "My whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service"

She became the Queen of England in 1952 after her father George VI, who was suffering from lung cancer, died unexpectedly, in his sleep at Sandringham. At the time, a 25-year-old Princess Elizabeth was thousands of miles away in Kenya with her husband.

But this is not the first record she breaks. The Queen became Britain's longest reigning monarch in September 2015, after 63 years and 216 days on the throne, breaking the record set by her great-great-grandmother, Queen Victoria.

Decades of duty have defined the queen. She has traveled more than a million miles, visited about 120 countries and 12 US presidents, from Dwight D. Eisenhower to Barack Obama. And at the age of 90, she continues to perform her royal duties, carrying out 80 public engagements in 2016.

After so many years on the throne — longer than most Britons have been alive — many people have come to respect her quiet devotion to duty and her determination to keep her private life out of sight.

(Adapted from <http://edition.cnn.com/2017/02/06/europe/queen-elizabeth-sapphire-jubilee/>,
<http://www.nbcnews.com/news/world/queen-elizabeth-ii-marks-65-years-britain-s-throne-n716378> and
<https://www.abc.com/article/news/2017/02/05/queen-elizabeth-65-years-sapphire-jubilee/21707430/>)

Cuestiones

1. Answer the questions below based on the text. Give long answers, including subject, verb and complements.

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1.1. What is the name for the 65th anniversary on the throne? (Paragraph 1)



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- 1.2. Why did the country make a new five-pound coin? (Paragraph 2)
- 1.3. Where was Princess Elizabeth when her father died? (Paragraph 3)
- 1.4. When did Queen Elizabeth break Queen Victoria's record? (Paragraph 4)
- 1.5. Who was the first US President Queen Elizabeth met? (Paragraph 4)

2. Find synonyms in the text for the words below.

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- 2.1. SOVEREIGN (Noun) _____ (Paragraph 1)
- 2.2. ALMOST (Adverb) _____ (Paragraph 2)
- 2.3. ENTIRE (Adjective) _____ (Paragraph 2)
- 2.4. UNPREDICTABLY (Adverb) _____ (Paragraph 3)
- 2.5. DEDICATION (Noun) _____ (Paragraph 6)

3. Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the words in brackets when given.

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- 3.1. Queen Elizabeth, _____ is the _____ (long) reigning queen in the world, is still devoted to her duties.
- 3.2. When George VI _____ (die) Princess Elizabeth was visiting Kenya with _____ husband.
- 3.3. If she still _____ (reign) in 2022, she _____ (get) the Diamond Jubilee.
- 3.4. How _____ countries has she visited in all these years?
- 3.5. Although she _____ (be) 90 years old, she continues _____ (work) for the Britons.
- 3.6. The Blue Sapphire Jubilee _____ (reach) by Queen Elizabeth on the 6th February 2017.

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4. Complete the conversation using the phrases in the box:

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I'm afraid I can't	Thank you very much!
Can you tell any other series to watch?	What is it about?
Are you following it?	

MARY: Hi Peter! Have you seen the new series "The Crown"?

PETER: No, I haven't.

MARY: It is about Queen Elizabeth's life.

PETER: It sounds interesting.

MARY: Yes, it is.

PETER: _____

MARY: _____ I have got my term exams.

PETER: I see. What a pity!

MARY: Don't worry! I'll watch it when I finish them.

PETER: _____

MARY: Of course. I'll make a list for you.

PETER: That's great.

MARY: You are welcome!

5. Write a composition about a famous person you admire. (Around 50 words)

Se valorará la coherencia textual, así como la apropiada utilización de las construcciones gramaticales, la ortografía y el vocabulario.