



# English video activities

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# The King's Speech Trailer



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- 2 There is a scene when the king is watching something like a film. Can you recognise the man on screen?
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## Watch another video and answer the questions:



### **The King's Speech - World War Speech** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PPLIw64rLJc>

This is the last scene of the film where the king, after a lot of effort, makes a radio broadcast addressing his people immediately after Britain's Declaration of War against Germany. The text is the original speech by George VI on 3rd September 1939.

**You can also listen to the real speech here:**

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### **The real King George VI, Queen Elizabeth's father**



# The King's Speech Trailer Teacher's B2



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This means that his speech doesn't have a normal flow, he practically gets stuck and cannot finish his sentences. This is the reason why he dreads speaking in public.

**2 There is a scene when the king is watching something like a film. Can you recognise the man on screen?**

Hitler

**3 After watching, do you have any more tips about speaking in public?**

Have faith in your voice and skills, understand that you need help, put in a lot of effort and time to improve your skills, persevere despite failing



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**1 What is the advice that the therapist gives to the king?**

"Say it to me! Breathe!"

**2 How do people and the queen feel at the start of the radio broadcast? How are their feelings affected throughout the broadcast?**

In the beginning everybody feels nervous but they are moved when the king is successful in his efforts.

**3 How did you feel watching this scene? Justify your ideas.**







[\*The King's Speech\*](#) is a 2010 [historical drama](#) film directed by [Tom Hooper](#) and written by [David Seidler](#). [Colin Firth](#) plays [King George VI](#) who, to cope with a [stammer](#), sees [Lionel Logue](#), an Australian [speech and language therapist](#) played by [Geoffrey Rush](#). The men become friends as they work together, and after [his brother abdicates the throne](#), the new king relies on Logue to help him make his first wartime radio broadcast upon [Britain's declaration of war on Germany](#) in 1939. The film was a major [box office](#) and [critical success](#) and it received many [awards and nominations](#), particularly for Colin Firth's performance, which resulted in his first [Academy Award for Best Actor](#). At the [83rd Academy Awards](#), *The King's Speech* received 12 Oscar nominations, more than any other film in that year, and subsequently won four, including [Best Picture](#). **(information from Wikipedia)**

[\*\*George VI\*\*](#) (1895 – 1952) was [King of the United Kingdom](#) and the [Dominions](#) of the [British Commonwealth](#) from 11 December 1936 until [his death](#) in 1952. He was the father of Queen Elizabeth who took the throne at a young age when the king passed away after suffering from lung cancer. **(information from Wikipedia)**

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