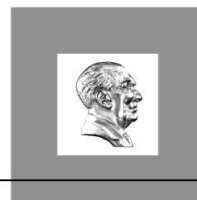


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Lehrkraft: Sylvia Bay

Leitfach: Englisch

Rahmenthema: The British monarchy

Zielsetzung des Seminars:

The British monarchy is probably the most fascinating monarchy in the world. There have been interesting characters on the British throne for centuries, like Queen Elizabeth I., Queen Victoria or Henry VIII and his many wives – alongside many wars, scandals or love stories. Obviously we are most familiar with the current monarch, Queen Elizabeth II, who will have been on the throne for 70 years in 2022. She and her family occupy the pages of tabloids and high-gloss magazines and continue to fascinate us.

In this seminar we are going to examine the past and the present, starting with a historical overview, but looking also at economic and political aspects and other interesting developments. There are numerous films to accompany the subject. Generally, the topic is so large that what we are going to focus on in particular will depend a lot on the participants' interests, so there will also be a large choice of topics for the paper.

Mögliche Themen für die Seminararbeiten:

- Wallis Simpson and Meghan Markle – two Americans shaking up the British monarchy
- Prince Charles, eternal heir to the throne ?
- The Crown – how close is the award-winning series to reality?
- Sue Townsend's novel "The Queen and I" – satire or realistic scenario for republicans?
- Elizabeth I. and Queen Mary of Scots and their depiction in films
- Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II – the two longest-reigning monarchs
- George VI and his depiction in "The King's Speech"
- Edward VIII and his relationship to Nazi Germany
- Is the monarchy good for British economy?
- Princess Margaret, Prince Andrew, Prince Harry – the destiny of the (future) monarch's sibling
- The British monarchy and its German heritage
- Diana of Wales – victim or media professional?
- Prince Philip – a typical royal companion?
- Divorce in the royal family – from Henry VIII to modern times
- Elizabeth II and her relationship with different Prime Ministers

Vorgeschlagene Leistungserhebungen in

Q11,1: Referate, Diskussionsbeiträge

Q11,2: Gliederungen, Exzerpte

Weitere Bemerkungen: The seminar will be held entirely in English and the paper as well as the presentation must be in English, too. So a good level of English is desirable, but more important is a genuine interest in the topic.

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