



Grace Kelly

Grace Kelly was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on November 12th, 1929. Her father was Irish-American John B. Kelly Sr. and known for his Olympic gold medals for rowing, and in later years for his brickwork company. Her mother had German origins and was the first female coach at the University of Pennsylvania. Raised in the Roman Catholic faith, Grace attended the prestigious Ravenhill Academy, where she occasionally modeled at local events, just as her mother did at her age. Apart from modeling, Grace developed a passion for acting at a young age and was a lead actress in the play “Don’t Feed the Animals” when she was just 12 years old.

Due to her poor high school grades, Grace was not accepted to Bennington College, which prompted her decision to become an actress. This decision displeased her parents, but she gained support from George Kelly, her uncle, who helped her get into the American Academy of Dramatic Arts in New York. She lived in the exclusive Barbizon Hotel for Woman during her studies and worked as a model to cover her expenses.

She was 23 years old when she signed with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios, and played a role in the movie “Mogambo” alongside Clark Gable. One of her most prominent roles was played in the film “Country Girl”, which won her an Academy Award for the Best Actress.

In 1955, during a trip to the Cannes Film Festival in France Grace met Prince Rainier III. The encounter with the Prince of Monaco was arranged as a brief photo shoot. Grace was 26 at the time. After she returned to America, Grace started working on a new project playing the role of a princess in a movie titled, “The Swan”.

It was during this time that Prince Rainier and Grace started conversing privately. The couple were engaged shortly after and married in 1956 shortly after Prince Rainier III’s trip to America. The pressure on the prince to produce an heir was part of Monaco Succession Crisis of 1918, which stipulated that Monaco would be returned to France if there was no heir to the throne. The choice to marry Grace, the Hollywood actress, was considered odd at the time, yet the wedding turned into a historic event.

Her life as a princess was a fairytale, but the cost of such a life was her acting career. She tried returning to films after the marriage, but unfortunately, due to the royal code, and the disapproval of the people in Monaco, she had to reject certain roles. She gave birth to three children, Princesses Caroline and Stephanie and Prince Albert. As a Princess Consort of Monaco, Grace was known for her philanthropic work. On September 13th, 1982, she suffered a stroke while driving home with her daughter. Her daughter survived the crash, but Grace died the following night.

Source: <https://www.biography.com/people/grace-kelly-9362226>

Vocab Match

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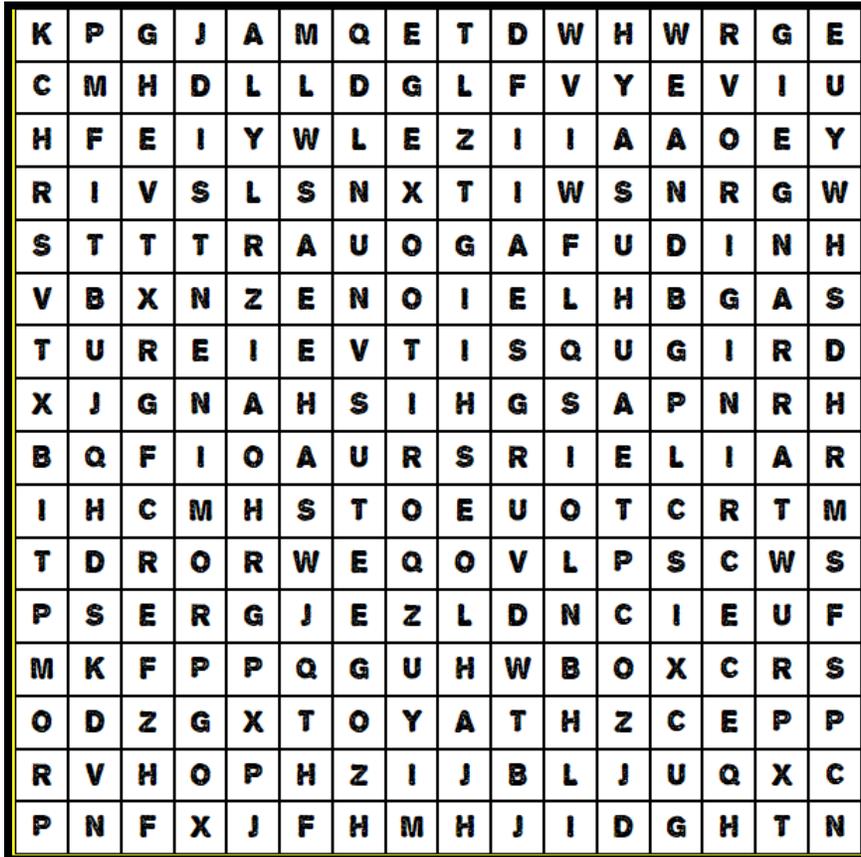
Word	Answer	Definition
1. origin	1. ____	a. adjective- well known
2. prestigious	2. ____	b. verb- plan, organize or prepare
3. prompt	3. ____	c. verb- explain how something should be done
4. exclusive	4. ____	d. adjective- limited and/or expensive
5. prominent	5. ____	e. verb- to make something happen
6. arrange	6. ____	f. noun- process when someone takes a job after someone else
7. converse	7. ____	g. adjective- related to charity, helping others
8. succession	8. ____	h. noun- starting point
9. stipulate	9. ____	i. adjective- very highly respected
10. philanthropic	10. ____	j. verb- talk, have a conversation

Discussion Topics

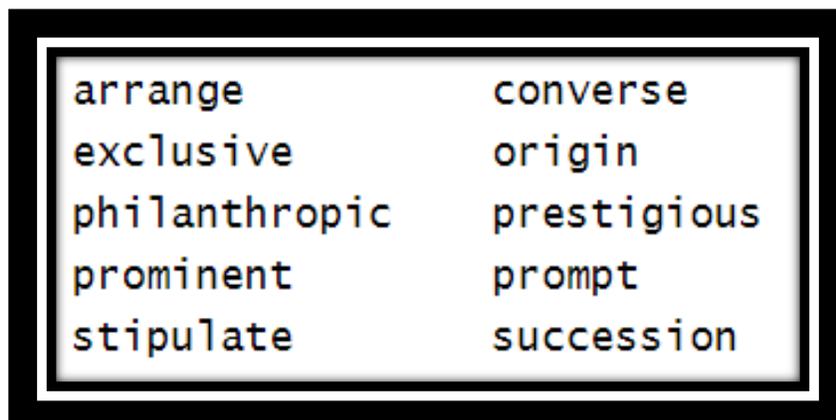
1. What do your parents do for work? Do you think their work is interesting?
2. Who is your favorite actor or model? Why do you like them?
3. Do you think it is important to get good grades? Why or why not?
4. What's your favorite fairytale? Why do you like it more than others?
5. What do you think are the negative parts of being famous?

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Find these words!



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Quiz

- 1) What was Grace Kelly's father known for?
a. rowing b. sewing c. growing d. running
- 2) Grace Kelly's mother was the first _____ at the University of Pennsylvania?
a. female roach b. female athlete c. female coach d. female teacher
- 3) What was the name of the play Grace Kelly was in at the age of 12?
a. Don't Feed the Animals b. Don't Play with the Animals c. Don't Need Love in the Sea d. Don't Bring Bread in the Sea
- 4) Why wasn't Grace accepted to Bennington College?
a. lack of money b. lack of time c. bad grades d. lack of extracurricular activities
- 5) How did Grace pay for school in New York?
a. pleasing her parents b. acting c. washing dishes d. modeling
- 6) Where did Grace meet Prince Rainer III for the first time?
a. Italy b. England c. France d. USA
- 7) What was the purpose of their first meeting?
a. to watch a movie b. a photo session c. to discuss a new project d. to eat pizza
- 8) What job was the Monaco Succession Crisis of 1918 referring to?
a. Prince b. Brick worker c. Actor d. Accountant
- 9) Why did Grace stop acting?
a. responsibilities as a daughter b. responsibilities as a princess c. responsibilities as a model d. responsibilities as a mother
- 10) According to the article, what kind of work is Grace Kelly known for?
a. sculpting b. helping others c. painting d. building

Key

Matching	Quiz
1. h	1. a
2. i	2. c
3. e	3. a
4. d	4. c
5. a	5. d
6. b	6. c
7. j	7. b
8. f	8. a
9. c	9. b
10. g	10. b

PROJECT: Students present about their favorite fairytales, include a summary of the story, background, character descriptions and images.