

**Answers:**

**1) A**

Beating Retreat is a pageant of music and military drill. It takes place twice a year, on the Wednesday and Thursday before the birthday parade Trooping the Colour. During a service on Maundy Thursday, the Queen distributes Royal Maundy coins to deserving senior citizens.

**2) B**

In Britain all unmarked mute swans in open water belong to the Crown. In practice, Elizabeth only claims ownership of those swans living along certain sections of the Thames and its tributaries.

**3) A**

Every year, the Queen hosts country dancing events at Balmoral. Those invited include neighbours, locals and employees of the estate.

**4) C**

Although there's technically no prescribed form of address, tradition requires "Your Majesty" at the introduction itself and "Ma'am" in further course of the conversation.

**5) B**

In 1945 Elizabeth joined the Auxiliary Territorial Service, where she underwent training as a driver.

**6) C**

In 1949, Elizabeth, then still a princess, followed her husband to the Mediterranean where he was serving as a navy officer. The couple lived there until 1951.

**7) A**

The care and upbringing of Elizabeth and her sister Margaret were entrusted to a long list of people, including governesses who spoke French with the princesses.

**8) C**

Elizabeth owns Balmoral in Scotland and traditionally spends part of the summer there.

**9) C**

According to one biographer, Elizabeth later apologised for her unseemly behaviour.

**10) B**

Helen Mirren won an Academy Award in 2007 for her portrayal of the Queen. She'd already been elevated to the status of Dame of the British Empire in 2003 for her services to the arts.