

Received pronunciation



Director: Tom Hooper,

Starring: Colin Firth, Geoffrey Rush, Helena Bonham Carter, Guy Pearce, Michael Gambon

Based on a true story, *The King's Speech* tells of the man who would become King George VI, the father of current Queen.

After his brother abdicates, George 'Bertie' VI (Firth) reluctantly assumes the throne. Plagued by a dreaded nervous stammer and considered unfit to be King, Bertie engages the help of an unorthodox speech therapist named Lionel Logue (Rush), who helps him find his voice and boldly lead the country into war.

The King's Speech

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The King's Speech is a warm, richly funny and highly enjoyable human story that takes an intriguing sideways glance at a crucial period in 20th-century history. Its star performance, and probably the best reason to see it, comes from Colin Firth as the monumentally awkward Prince Albert, or Bertie, who became King George VI unexpectedly in 1936 after his older brother, Edward VIII abdicated to marry American divorcee Wallis Simpson.

This is old-fashioned filmmaking at its best: a good story, elegantly told, and a joy to watch. The King's speech will leave you speechless.

Genre: Drama | History

Age Restriction: R

Runtime: 118 min