

Genre: listening comprehension
Level: lower-intermediate and above
Use: individual or classroom

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Listen to the audio then answer the questions!

What can the souvenirs - designed by Lydia - be used for?

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What kind of souvenirs are going to be banned by the Palace officials?

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What was Lydia expecting when she made the souvenirs?

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Listen to the audio and fill the gaps with the missing words!

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Wedding is set to make around £26million - despite Palace officials trying to on souvenirs. They banned way back in December. Earl Peel, who heads up the Royal household, said: 'We want items that are and' So you can assume they won't think much of Lydia's addition to the memorabilia market.

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Lydia told the Huffington Post: 'The bags are just a bit of fun, a sort of antidote to the hysteria surrounding the wedding -- I'm not an anti-monarchist in the slightest! 'It started out as a joke around the dinner table and I made them expecting to sell a to friends and family but it seems there is a much greater' Lydia added, 'I'm a fan of Royal memorabilia myself and I just thought it would be a addition to what's available to commemorate the day.'



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If you're already **sick of** hearing about the Royal Wedding, you're **definitely** going to need one of these come April the 29th. Graphic designer Lydia Leith has screen-printed souvenir **sick bags** that are selling for just £3. The first, limited edition, **batch of** 'Throne Up' bags - perhaps **unsurprisingly** - sold out almost immediately.

Wedding **memorabilia** is set to make around £26million - despite Palace officials trying to **crack down** on souvenirs. They banned **branded tea towels** way back in December. Earl Peel, who heads up the Royal household, said: 'We want items that are **permanent** and **significant**.' So you can assume they won't think much of Lydia's addition to the memorabilia market.

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Lydia told the Huffington Post: 'The bags are just a bit of fun, a sort of antidote to the hysteria surrounding the wedding -- I'm not an anti-monarchist in the slightest! 'It started out as a joke around the dinner table and I made them expecting to sell a **handful** to friends and family but it seems there is a much greater **demand**.' Lydia added, 'I'm a fan of Royal memorabilia myself and I just thought it would be a **light-hearted** addition to what's available to commemorate the day.'

IMPORTANT WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS

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