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News Review

New royal baby boy is born

BBC World Service

The story

Here in Britain, Prince William and his wife, the Duchess of Cambridge, have left the hospital in London where she gave birth to their third child.

The baby boy is fifth in line to the throne. Well-wishers cheered as the family appeared in front of the press before they drove off to Kensington Palace.

A statement said Catherine and her new son are both doing well.

Vocabulary unfolded

happened or developed

- The CEO was forced to resign when the scandal unfolded.
- No one knew how the situation would unfold, so everyone kept quiet and waited.

outnumbered

fewer in number than

- I voted to stay but I was outnumbered by those who wanted to leave.
- City were outnumbered by United after their defender was sent off.

goes into meltdown

goes out of control

- He goes into meltdown every time we mention a mistake he's made.
- The website went into meltdown within minutes. Too many people wanted tickets.

Language challenge

Well-wishers cheered The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge as they left the hospital after the birth of their third child. But what exactly is a well-wisher?

- a) someone who encourages or supports you
- b) someone who throws money into fountains for good luck
- c) someone who finds water underground

Answer

a) someone who encourages or supports you