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The King's Speech (2010) *An touching and inspirational film*

Rating: ★★☆☆☆

Suitable for: all ages

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The King's Speech is a British historical drama directed by Tom Hooper and written by David Seidler.

It is a biopic about King George VI, the father of Queen Elizabeth II, who overcame his problem of stuttering. Since his brother King Edward VIII abdicated, George was thrust onto the throne and under the spotlight of the world. Compared with powerful orators like Adolph Hitler and Benito Mussolini, George was under huge pressure. He can only rely on the therapy of a little-known Australian speech therapist named Lionel Logue. George needed to give a clear public speech to incite his people who were suffering from the most devastating war.

The film is thought-provoking, with hilarious and moving scenes. It really touched my heart that I almost cried while watching. King George and Lionel had a special relationship despite their different status. To the outsiders, they are a king and a therapist. However, they are good friends and appreciate each other. It is gripping to see them gradually get closer with mutual understanding. It is inspiring and encouraging to see how King George overcame his difficulties eventually.

The King's Speech is a great film that has won several Oscar awards. I highly recommend it to those who are interested in history.

