The Palace of Westminster

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Have you ever heard about the House of Parliament? If not, today we will talk with Mrs Bond who will give us a lot of information about the House of Parliament, the Palace of Westminster and Big Ben.

- Hello, Mrs Bond. Nice to meet you.
- -Hi, nice to meet you too.
- So Mrs Bond, can we ask you some questions?
- Yes, of course, you can.
- What is the House of Parliament?



- -The house of Parliament is a legislative body housed in the Palace of Westminster. It comprises 2 houses, the House of Commons and the house of Lords. The House of Commons is appointed by the head of state, the Queen, and the House of Lords is elected every 5 years.
- Can you tell us about the types of tours?
- There are guided tours, audio tours, family tours and Big Ben tours. The ticket is £25.50 for adults, for senior or UK armed forces £21, for children (5-11) £11, and for children (under 5) it is free. You can visit it from Monday to Saturday.
- -When was the Palace of Westminster built, and when was it destroyed by fire?
- It was built in 1016, and it was destroyed by fire in 1834. It was rebuilt in 1840-1870.
- -Also, can you tell us what Big Ben is, when the bell was installed and what it has been renamed as?
- -It is a nickname for the Great Bell of the striking clock, the bell was installed in 1859, and it has been renamed as Elisabeth tower.
- -Thank you very much for answering our questions, and we hope to see you again.
- -Hope to see you too. Bye-bye.
- -Bye-bye.

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