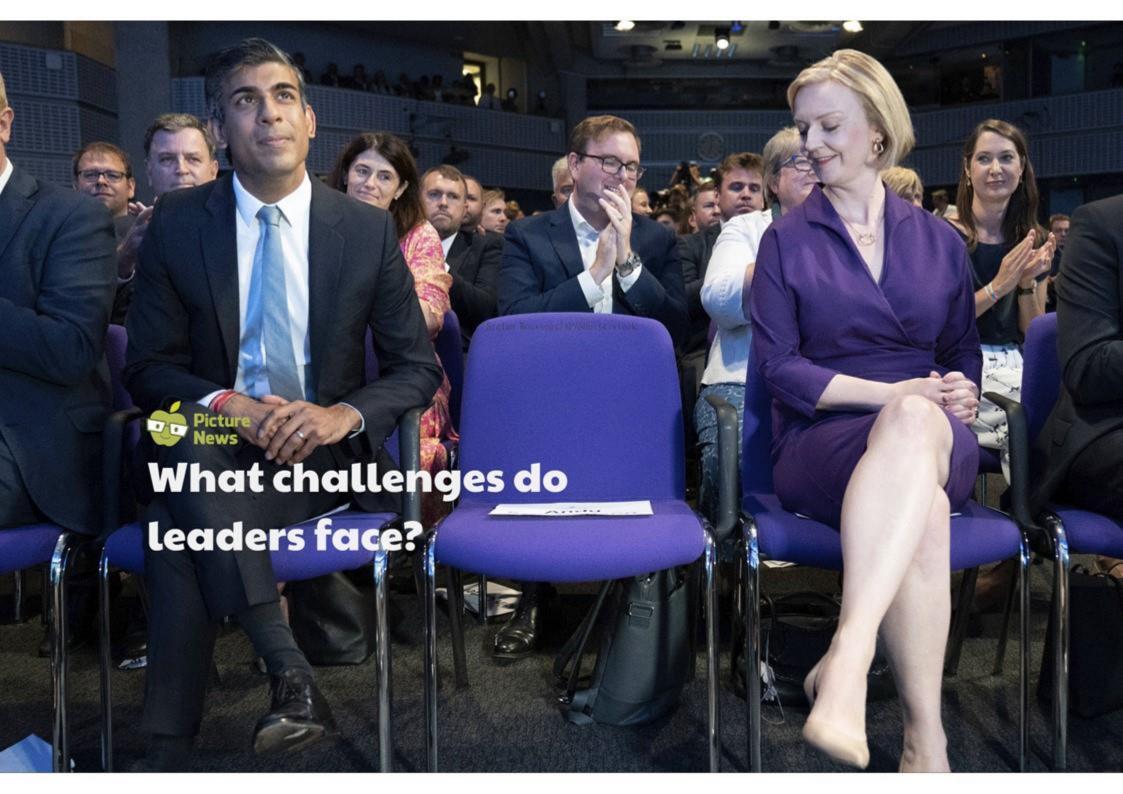
What's happening in the news?





Let's have a look at the poster

A Change in Leadership



Let's look at the story



Rishi Sunak has become the UK's first British Asian prime minister after his only remaining rival pulled out of the Conservative party leadership contest. King Charles III appointed Mr Sunak, who has taken over from Liz Truss, following her resignation just 45 days into her rocky time as prime minister last week. At 42, he is the youngest prime minister in over 200 years!

Rishi will be taking on the challenging role at an already tricky time, during an economic crisis and with pressure on public finances.



Learn more about this story <u>here</u>. Watch the useful video <u>here</u>.



Read through the information below about the new prime minister.

Who is Rishi Sunak?

Rishi Sunak was born in Southampton in 1980. Rishi's parents are both Indian and moved to the UK from east Africa. His father was a GP and his mother ran her own pharmacy.

He met his wife Akshata Murty, while studying in America and the couple have two daughters.

Rishi Sunak became an MP (member of Parliament) for the Conservative party in 2015. Within weeks of becoming chancellor, the pandemic hit the UK and the world. One of his policies was the 'Eat Out To Help Out' scheme, which gave people discounts at restaurants and encouraged people to go out.

We need stability and unity and I will make it my utmost priority to bring our party and our country together.



Rishi Sunak Twitter

Pictured above: Rishi Sunak as a primary school child





What challenges do leaders face?







- Look at the poster image. Does anyone know who these people are? Explain that this is the new prime minister, Rishi Sunak, and the former prime minister, Liz Truss. Share any prior knowledge you have about them.
- Read through the news story and discuss your thoughts. Are you surprised to learn that there is another new prime minister after such a short time? What do you think would be the hardest part of being prime minister and the leader of the country?
- Read the information found on the resource, where you can learn more about Rishi Sunak. Do you think he will make a good prime minister? Share your thoughts on why.
- Watch the useful video, which shares the thoughts of some children on the former prime minister, Liz Truss, stepping down, following her resignation announcement last week. Do you think it would have been a difficult decision for her to make? Share your thoughts on learning that she resigned from the role after just 45 days.

Useful Weblinks

News story: www.bbc.com/news/ukpolitics-63375281

Useful video:

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