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KING HUSSEIN VISITS R.A.F.

R.A.F. station, Biggin Hill is on parade to meet young King Hussein of Jordan, with many types of aircraft and all types of - types!

The 20-year old King asks all the right questions, because he's a pilot himself, and a very enthusiastic one. Perhaps he's wishing that the laws of Jordan and of Britain would allow him to take one of these up solo. But when you're a king, the rules are even stricter than for ordinary people.

H for Hussein - and H for Hawker Hunters, flying past in honour of the royal visitor - Now Meteors join the Hunters in some very smooth formation flying, peeling off one by one as they would in an attack.

But even if the rules won't allow a King to fly solo, there's nothing to prevent him taking a turn in a dual control Vampire jet trainer, so with Flight-Lieutenant Foulkes as co-pilot, King Hussein gets ready for the take-off.

And for half an hour the Vampire goes through its paces, with the King at the controls most of the time.