

Great Britain.

Today. Tomorrow.

Yesterday.



Superstitions

Superstitions can be defined as, "irrational beliefs, especially with regard to the unknown"

Good Luck

Lucky to meet a black cat. Black Cats are featured on many good luck greetings cards and birthday cards in England.



A horseshoe over the door brings good luck. But the horseshoe needs to be the right way up. The luck runs out of the horseshoe if it is upside



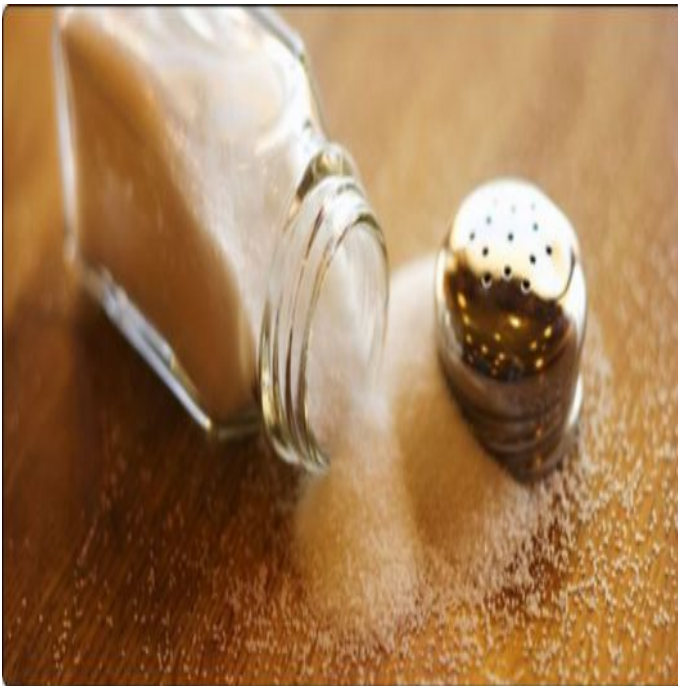
down.

On the first day of the month it is lucky to say "white rabbits, white rabbits white rabbits," before uttering your first word of the day.



Bad Luck

Unlucky to spill salt. If you do, you must throw it over your shoulder to counteract the bad luck.



Unlucky to open an umbrella in doors.



The number thirteen is unlucky. Friday the thirteenth is a very unlucky day. Friday is considered to be an unlucky day because Jesus was crucified on a Friday.



British food

Some time ago Somerset Maugham, the great English writer said: “to eat well in England, you should have breakfast three times a day.” To be honest, most British food was considered by people as terrible. It included

overcooked boring sandwiches, vegetables and greasy sausages. It was not an enjoyable experience. However, things have changed a lot and food has become very important in modern British culture. The New British cuisine' is changing the ordinary “fish and chips” image and has become multicultural. As you know, in the majority of European countries it is normal to have a long break in eating in the



midday. But this is not really widespread habit in Britain. British people eat out rather regularly. They have three main meals a day: breakfast, lunch and dinner.

British food has traditionally been based on beef, lamb, pork, chicken and fish and generally served with potatoes and one other vegetable. The most common and typical foods eaten in Britain include the sandwich, fish and chips, pies like the cornish pasty, trifle and roasts dinners. Some of our main dishes have strange names like Bubble & Squeak and Toad-in-the-Hole.

The Royal couple

Prince William is the elder son of Charles, Prince of Wales, and Diana, Princess of Wales, and grandson of Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Phillip, Duke of Edinburgh.



Catherine “Kate” Middleton is the eldest of three children born to Michael and Carole Middleton. She was educated at St Andrew’s School in Pangbourne, Marlborough College, and the University of St Andrew’s. After graduating, she worked in retail and then as an accessories buyer/catalogue photographer at her parents’ business.

The couple met while undergraduates at the University of St Salvator’s Hall during their first year, after which they shared accommodation in the town for two years.

Their engagement on 20 October 2010 was announced on 16 November 2010. The build-up to the wedding and the occasion itself attracted much media attention, being compared and contrasted in many ways with the 1981 marriage of William’s parents.

The wedding of Prince William, Duke of Cambridge, and Catherine Middleton took place on 29 April 2011 at Westminster Abbey in London.

The ceremony was attended by the bride’s and groom’s families, as well as many foreign royals, diplomats, and the couple’s chosen personal guests. After the ceremony, the couple made the traditional appearance on the balcony of Buckingham Palace. As Prince William was not the heir apparent to the throne, the wedding was not a full state occasion and many details were left to the couple to decide, such as much of the guest list of about 1,900.

Manchester United Football Club

is an English professional football club, based in Old Trafford, Greater Manchester that plays in the Premier League.

Manchester United has won many trophies in English football, including a record 19 league titles, a record 11 FA Cups, four League Cups and a record 19 FA Community Shields. The club has also won three European Cups, one UEFA Cup Winners' Cup, one UEFA Super Cup, one Intercontinental Cup and one FIFA Club World Cup. In 1998–99, the club won a Treble of the Premier League, the FA Cup and the UEFA Champions League, an unprecedented feat for an English club.

Manchester United is one of the wealthiest and most widely supported football teams in the world. As of July 2012, the club is number one in Forbes magazine's annual ranking of the world's 50 most valuable sports teams, valued at \$2.23 billion. After being floated on the London Stock Exchange in 1991, the club was purchased by Malcolm Glazer in May 2005 in a deal valuing the club at almost £800 million. In August 2012, Manchester United made an initial public offering on the New York Stock Exchange.



Fashion

British Style Basics

British fashion has always been acclaimed for its “fearlessness” and Brits are famed for their individual sense of style.

British Style in 5 Steps

1. Layer, layer, layer.

Invest in a few great jackets- especially a leather one and a blazer. Scarves are always a great accessory for keeping you warm as well as stylish. Also, wear tights with everything!

2. Always be prepared for rain!

It rains a *lot* in England, so if you're spending some time there, always pack a cute umbrella and make sure your shoes are waterproof!

3. Add edgy pieces to a feminine look.

Wear leather boots with a lace dress, a studded bracelet with a prom dress or a leather jacket over your tea dress. Even after all these years, British Style still has an element of punk left in it.

4. Never look too “done.”

Keep your hair messy or your eye makeup slightly smudgy to get a real festival feel. Don't worry if you have a run in your tights- wear them anyway! Mix and match unexpected patterns and textures for a “I just threw this on” look.

5. Be brave and have fun!

My favorite thing about British style is that they are not afraid to have fun with fashion. So wear bright tights instead of black, or pair two loud-print pieces together instead of keeping one simple. Incorporate catwalk trends into your everyday look, and don't be

afraid to rock
outlandish
items with
confidence.



Music



POP MUSIC

Pop music is one of the most common and lovable music of all the times. It is the beat of youth. Pop music is basically is a commercially recorded music using latest technology to get different variations in existing and new

themes. For 50 years pop music has reigned the hearts of people. Their fans have seen many Pop stars changing, growing and shining.

British musical success in the United States was at its lowest point in the early 2000s. Less than 2% of the top 100 United States albums in both 2000 and 2001 were from the United Kingdom.

Amy Winehouse, Tinie Tempah , Adele, Leona Lewis and Taio Cruz are very popular british modern pop-artists and they became famous in all the world.

