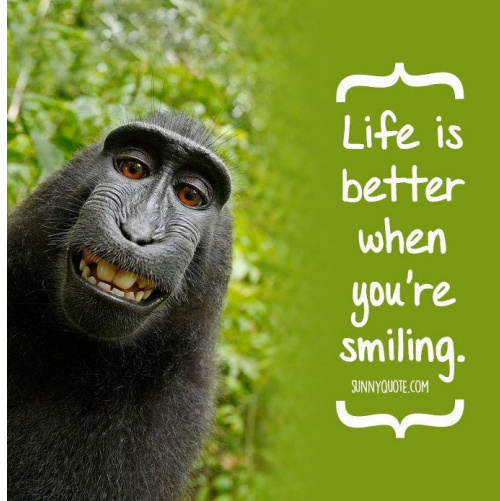




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Hi Everyone and welcome to our Second Comedy Pack for October .

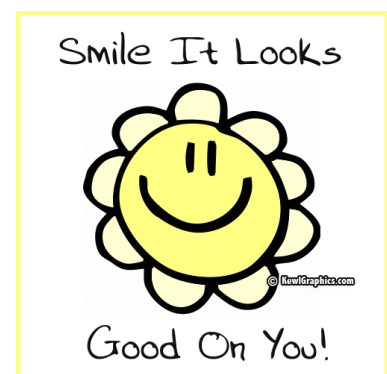
Did you know that studies have shown that smiling releases endorphins, natural painkillers, and serotonin. Together these three neurotransmitters make us feel good from head to toe. Not only do these natural chemicals elevate your mood, but they also relax your body and reduce physical pain. Smiling is a natural drug.

If you have ideas for a theme for an activity pack – or there is something you would really like to see included – please let us know!

Due to the current circumstances you may be feeling a range of emotions. If there is anything you need, or if you would just like a chat – please call us on 9727 2222

Have a great week – we are thinking of you!

The Caladenia team





An Englishman and a Scotsman go to a pastry shop. The Englishman whisks three cookies into his pocket with lightning speed. The baker doesn't notice. The Englishman says to the Scotsman: "You see how clever we are? You'll never beat that!" The Scotsman says to the Englishman: "Watch this, a Scotsman is always cleverer than an Englishman." He says to the baker, "Give me a cookie, I can show you a magic trick!" The baker gives him the cookie which the Scotsman promptly eats. Then he says to the baker: "Give me another cookie for my magic trick." The baker is getting suspicious but he gives it to him. He eats this one too. Then he says again: "Give me one more cookie..." The baker is getting angry now but gives him one anyway. The Scotsman eats this one too. Now the baker is really mad, and he yells: "And where is your famous magic trick?" The Scotsman says: "Look in the Englishman's pocket!"

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An Englishman, a Frenchman, a Spaniard, and a Dutchman are all on a video call.

The four men are all on a zoom call with their boss. Their boss asks "Can you see me?" and they respond

"Yes"

"Oui"

"Si"

"Ja"

An Englishman, a Scotsman, & an Irishman walk into a bar

They each order a beer and sit at the bar. The Englishman notices a fly in his drink so he pushes it away and asks for another.

The Scotsman checks his beer and also sees a fly. He fishes it out and starts to enjoy his pint.

They both look over to see that the Irishman also found a fly in his beer. He's holding it over the glass yelling "SPIT IT OUT".

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An Englishman, an Irishman and a Scotsman all walk into a bar. The minute they enter, the bartender asks...

Is this a joke?

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A Scot and an Englishman walk into a bar.

The Englishman orders a large whisky. The Scot says "I bet you a quid I can drink your whole whisky without touching the glass or using a straw". The Englishman is intrigued at how the Scot could possibly do this, so he agrees. The Scot takes the glass and finishes it in one swig. "But... you did touch the glass!" exclaims the Englishman. The Scot replies: "Aye, that I did. Here's your quid, and thanks for the cheap whisky."

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An Englishman and an Irishman are in the hospital room in adjacent beds.

The Englishman looks over at the Irishman and peels away his oxygen mask from his face. "I'm English." Said the Englishman. The Irishman also takes away his oxygen mask and gasps, "Irish."

The Englishman slowly adds, "My name's David." "Danny." Replies the Irishman.

"Cancer." Says the Englishman pointing to his chest. Danny lifts away his oxygen mask replies, "I'm Sagittarius."

A Scotsman, Englishman and an Irishman sit down for lunch.

They all pull out their lunch, a salmon sandwich for the Scotsman, soup for the Englishman and a potato for the Irishman. They all sigh and say 'if I have this for lunch one more time I'm going to kill myself!'

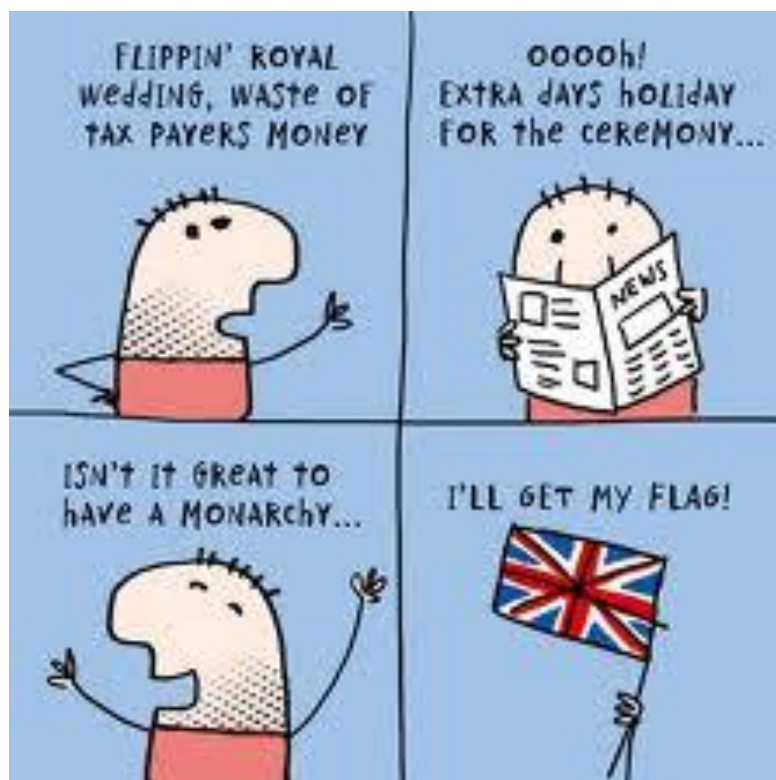
The next day they all have the same thing and they all follow through with their promise.

At the funeral the Scotsman and Englishman's wife's cry saying 'why didn't they say they don't like that I would have made them something different!' The Irishman's wife steps back laughing saying 'what a dumbass he makes his own bloody lunch'





Great British Humour



Get
around
in

ENGLISH

Lesson Sixteen

How to Complain



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Lesson Forty-four How to Start a Conversation

Use this handy card whenever you want to start a conversation with a British person. Just look them in the eye and say the conversation starter for your level. It's as easy as that!*

Elementary

It's a nice day today, isn't it?



Intermediate

*Bit of a cold wind today, isn't there?
Looks like we're in for some rain later.*



Advanced

A trough of low pressure is sweeping down from south-east Iceland, bringing fog and frost to low-lying areas, with scattered thunderstorms in the west and a belt of rain, which may fall as sleet or snow over the Pennines, moving across the whole country by tomorrow lunchtime.



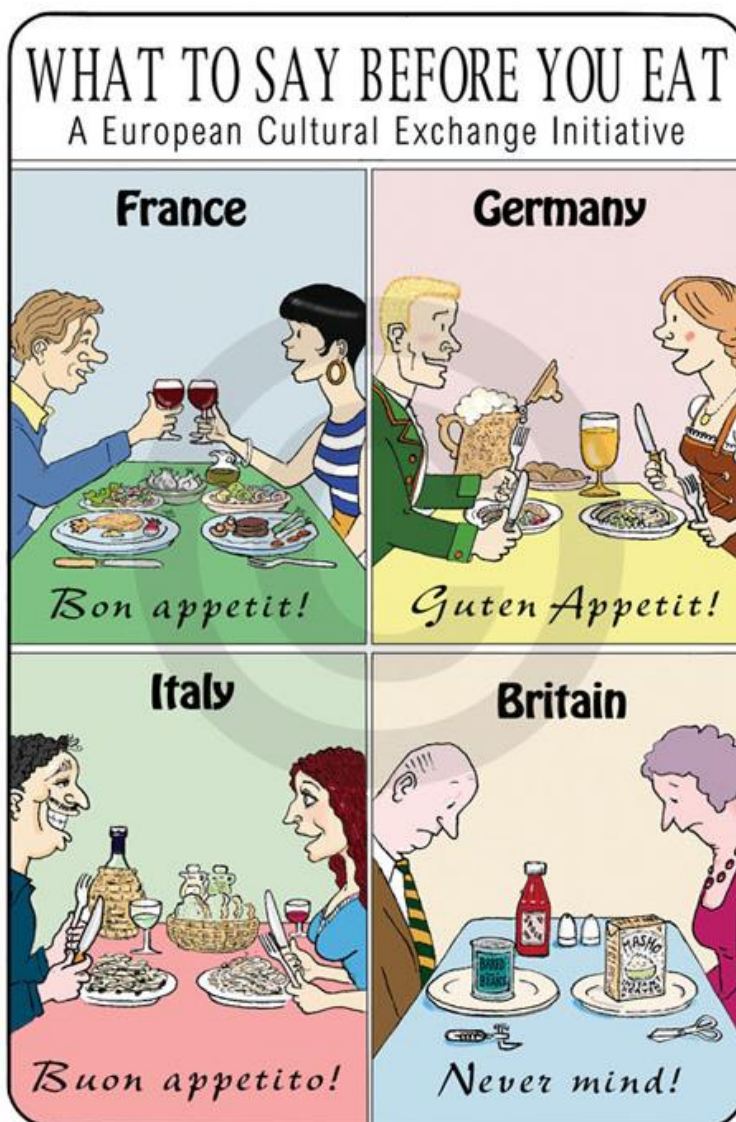
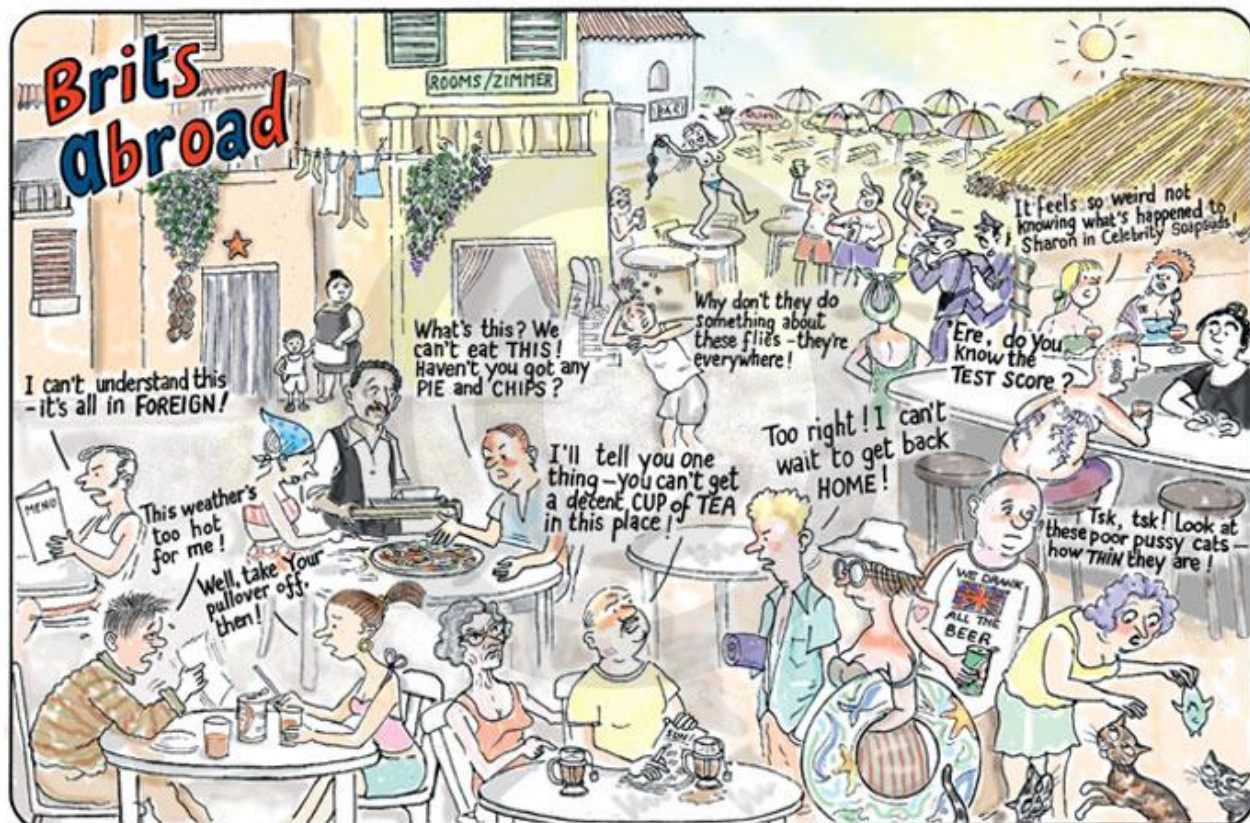
**Don't worry if you can't understand their reply — just keep smiling!*



*Tourists like you are
ruining this place!*

Yes, it is, isn't it?





Brain of Britain

language learning facility
(not visible to naked eye)

Royal Family
recognition centre

nostalgia
segment

mistrust of Europe
ventricle

national pride gland
(likely to become inflamed
during World Cup)

bottled-up
anger

tea

beer

custard
(for Scotland, see 'porridge')

pastry

sea

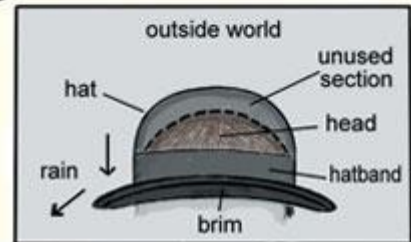
traditional
breakfast

repository of useless
facts for pub quiz nights

Isle of Wight

love of countryside

BACKBONE!



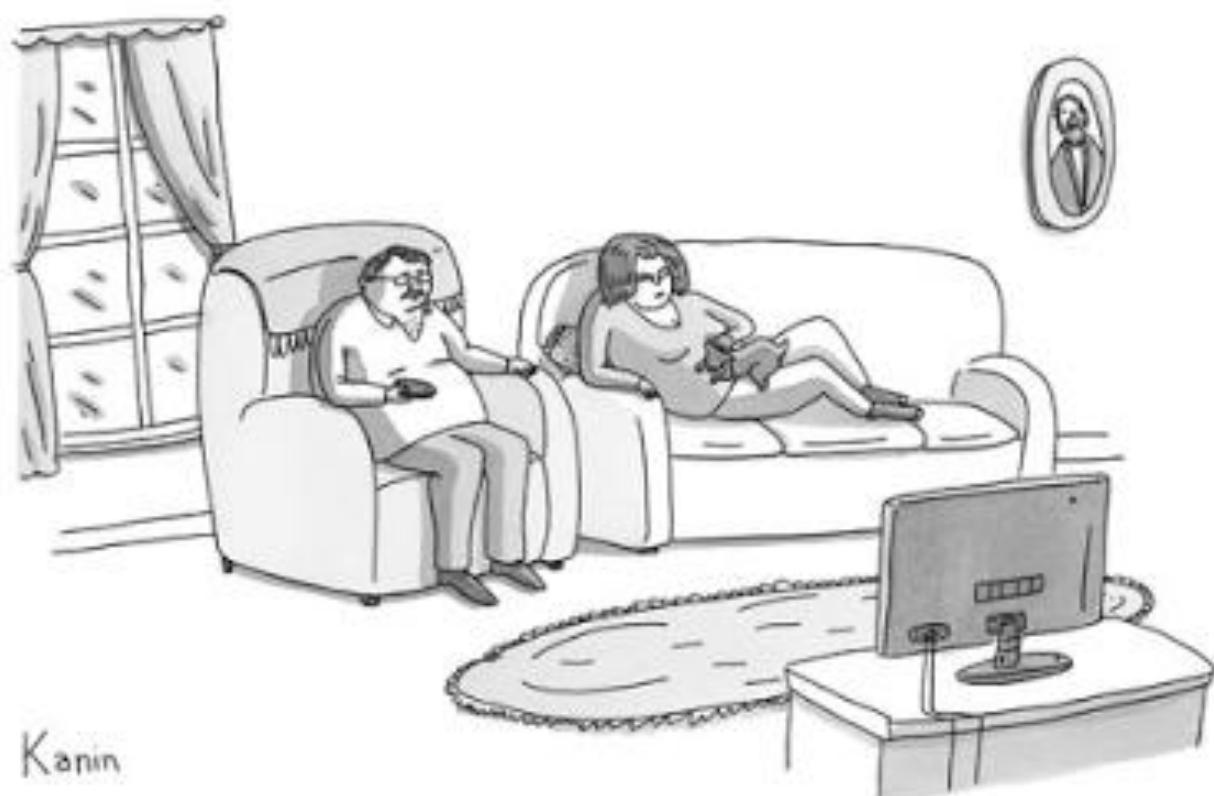
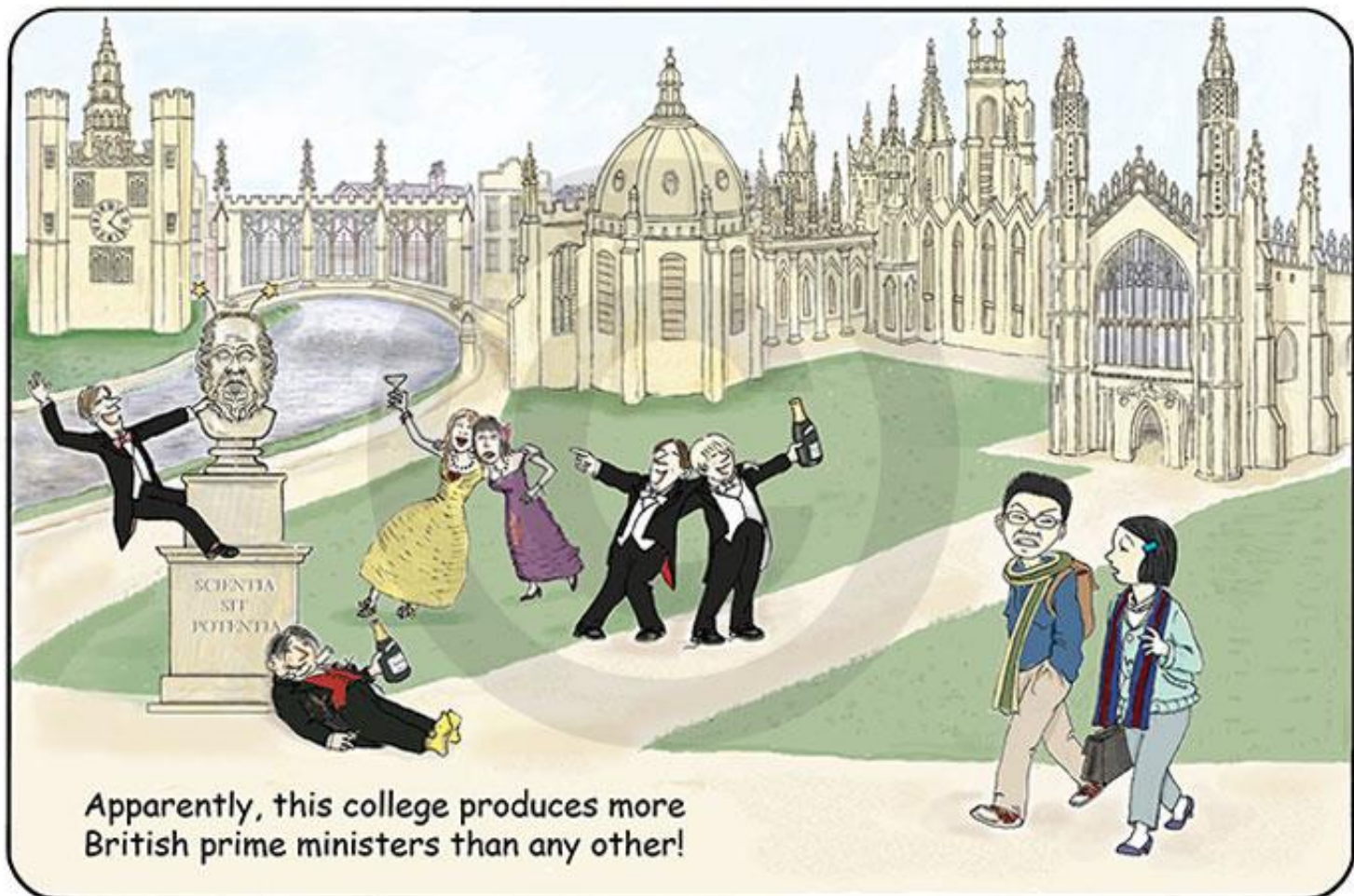
Ah, you can't beat a good old-fashioned British seaside holiday
— no worries about harmful ultra-violet rays for us !

Get
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ENGLISH

Lesson Twenty-Two
Words You Need







Ronnie Corbett is serving a woman with a toilet roll. He is not too bright.

RC: (Muttering) There you are — mind how you go.

(Woman exits. RB enters — a workman. Not too bright either.)

RC: Yes, sir!?

RB: Four candles?

RC: Four candles? Yes sir. (He gets four candles from a drawer.) There you are.

RB: No — fork handles!

RC: Four candles. That's four candles.

RB: No, fork handles — handles for forks.

RC: Oh, fork handles. (He gets a garden fork handle from the back of the shop.) Anything else?

RB: (Looks at his list). Got any plugs?

RC: What sort of plugs?

RB: Bathroom — rubber one.

Gets box of bath plugs, holds up two different sizes.

RC: What size?

RB: Thirteen amp.

RC: Oh, electric plugs. (Gets electric plug from drawer.) What else?

RB: Saw tips.

RC: Saw tips? What you want, ointment?

RB: No, tips to cover the saw.

RC: Oh. No, we ain't got any.

RB: Got any hoes?

RC: Hoes? Yeah. (He gets a garden hoe from the garden department.)

RB: No — hose.

RC: Oh, hose. I thought you meant hoes. (He gets a roll of garden hose.)

RB: No, hose!

RC: (Gives him a dirty look.) What hose? (He gets a packet of ladies' tights from a display stand.) Pantie-hose, you mean?

RB: No, 'O's' — letter 'O's — letters for the gate. 'Mon Repose'.

RC: Why didn't you say so? (He gets a ladder, climbs up to cupboard high on wall, gets down a box of letters.) Now, 'O's — here we are — two?

RB: Yeah.

RC: Right. (He takes box back up ladder and returns.) Next?

RB: Got any 'P's?

RC: Oh my Gawd, why didn't you bleedin' say while I'd got the box of letters down here? I'm working me guts out here climbing about all over the shop putting things back and then getting 'em out again. Now then, (he is back with the box) how many? Two?

RB: No — peas — three tins of peas!

RC: You're having me on, ain't yer!? Ain't yer! (He gets three tins of peas.)

RB: No I ain't. I meant tinned peas.

RC: Right. Now what?

RB: Pumps.

RC: Pumps? Hand pumps or foot pumps?

RB: Foot.

RC: Foot pumps. Right. (He goes off, returns with a small footpump.)

RB: No, pumps for your feet. Brown pumps, size nine.

RC: You are having me on, I've had enough of this. (He gets them from drawer.) Is that the lot?

RB: Washers.

RC: (Exasperated) Windscreen washers? Car washers? Dishwashers? Hair washers? Back scrubbers? Lavatory cleaners? Floor washers?

RB: Half-inch washers.

RC: Tap washers! Here give me that list, I'm fed up with this. (He reads list and reacts) Right! That does it. That's the final insult. (Calls through door) Jones! Come and serve this customer — I've had enough! (Mr Jones comes out and RC shows him the list) Look what he's got on there!

JONES: (Goes to a drawer with a towel draped over it.) Right! How many would you like? One or two?

He removes the towel to reveal the label on the drawer — 'Bill hooks'.





UK Crazy Laws

- Thanks to Prerogativa Regis 1322, all whales and sturgeons found in the United Kingdom belong to the Crown.
- Under an 1839 law, it is illegal to knock on someone's door and walk away. That includes ringing a doorbell without excuse.
- According to the Metropolitan Police Act 1839, it's illegal to be drunk at a bar or "keeper of a public house to permit drunkenness on premises."
- Until 1976, the UK had a law that required all cars to carry at least one bale of hay. It was initially written for horse drawn carriages.
- If you're planning a home improvement project that requires wood planks and you live in London, just remember it's illegal to carry planks across pavement. Good luck!
- After 8 AM, it's illegal to beat or shake any carpet, rug, or mat in the street.
- Thanks to the Metropolitan Police Act 1839, if you annoy passengers or inhabitants with flying a kite, you'll be fined 500 pounds (about 562 Euros).
- Think twice before asking a stranger for change. According to the Vagrancy Act 1824, if you need change and ask a stranger for some, it's considered begging and you could end up in "the house of correction."
- Be careful how you handle salmon. According to the Salmon Act 1986, it's illegal to handle fish in a suspicious circumstance.
- If you plan to go to a fancy party, don't dress up as a soldier or seaman. According to the Seamen's and Soldiers' False Characters Act 1906, it's illegal to pretend to be part of the armed forces.

- Thanks to the Library Offences Act of 1898, you cannot gamble or use abusive or obscene language in a library.
- Singers, songwriters, and street bards will be sad to hear it is illegal to sing a profane or obscene song in public.
- Many of you likely won't have this problem, but if you're ever visiting Parliament, don't wear Armour. That's also illegal, according to the 1313 Statute forbidding Bearing of Armour.
- Compliments of the Town Police Clauses Act 1847, if you keep your pigs outside your house without the proper fencing, you'll be subject to a 1,000 pound (1124 euro) fine.
- Don't even think of singing Happy Birthday to a friend in public, otherwise you'll have to pay a fee. It's copyrighted, after all.
- It's illegal for your common pet dog to mate with a royal pet dog. So, if by chance you meet the Queen, make sure your dogs don't get frisky.
- While this law is no longer active, it was once illegal for a lady to eat chocolate on a public transport.
- At one time, every Englishman from the ages of 17 to 69 was required to keep and practice with a longbow. This wasn't repealed until 1960.
- All unmarked swans belong to the Queen and any attempt to eat them is considered illegal.
- Someone may be fined up to 1,000 pounds (1124 euros) if they hang up their laundry to dry across a street.
- Jumping the ticket queue at a subway isn't just rude in London, it's illegal, so stay in line and wait your turn.
- Hats off to Edward VI for this one. Anyone breaking an egg on the sharp end could end up in the stocks for 24 hours.
- Edward VI also had a thing about socks. He enacted a law saying it is illegal to stand sockless within 100 yards of the Queen.
- If you put a postage stamp bearing the Queen's image upside down on a letter, it's considered treason.
- This is considered the most absurd law by UK citizens. Apparently, it's illegal to die while in Parliament since it's a Royal palace and you would be required to have a state funeral.



Here are some strange weird facts about UK History.

1. Number 1 was removed because it was too gross.

2. Margaret Thatcher, first female British prime minister, was part of the team that was improving soft serve ice creams.

Mister Softee is a US ice cream distributor that had then partnered with J. Lyons and Co. where Margaret Thatcher was working. They were trying to develop a soft serve recipe that they could use on their machines. While Thatcher was at Lyons, she worked on cakes and pies as well, apart from ice creams. Referring to her work, her opponents often commented on her politics saying she "added air, lowered quality and raised profits.

3. King Henry III had a polar bear in his Royal Menagerie. It went fishing in River Thames and attracted many viewers.

Haakon IV of Norway is said to have gifted a polar bear to King Henry III. The King's fancies were a problem for the sheriffs because they were ordered to pay four pence per day for the bear's upkeep in the year 1251. That wasn't all that the King did for his animals. He ordered the sheriffs again in 1254 to financially support the construction of an elephant house at the Tower. After his demise, the Kings and Queens continuously received many animals as gifts with the result that by 1828, there were more than 280 animals of 60 different species.

4. King Henry VIII introduced tax on beards in the 16th century. The tax varied on the social status of the man sporting the beard.

The tax was reintroduced by the King's daughter Elizabeth I for every beard that was older than two weeks. England was not the only country that had the beard tax. As part of modernization of Russia, Emperor Peter I introduced it as well. Whoever paid the tax, received a copper or silver token and whoever did not, was forcibly and publicly shaved.

5. The City of London sold the 1831 London Bridge because it wasn't strong enough to support the increased traffic in 1967. The bridge was bought by Robert P. McCulloch and relocated to Arizona, US.

The 1831 London Bridge was built by John Rennie and his son across River Thames. In 1967, the bridge was dismantled, after being sold, to be shipped to Arizona. The bridge finished being reassembled in 1971 across Lake Havasu which McCulloch received from the US government for free with a promise to develop it. It took almost a year to take the bridge apart, ship it to Port of Long Beach and transport it by land to the lake. The assembly and reconstruction took around three years to finish.

6. During the early 1800s, the name Mary was so popular that as many as half the women in UK had that name.

According to the data collected from census records, birth and death records, and doctors' registrations, by the year 1800, the name Mary was the first popular name, constituting 23% of all names. It was 53.2% popular among the top three names and a whopping 82% popular among the top ten names. The same can be said about the name John. The other popular names include Elizabeth, Margaret, Susan, Sarah and Emily.

7. In the early 19th century, the British government spent 40 percent of its annual expenditure to free slaves and as compensation for slave owners'.

According to the terms of Slavery Abolition Act, the British government raised 20 million pounds, which equals 69.93 billion pounds as of 2013, along with an additional 400, 000 pounds (1.4 billion as of 2013) to free slaves. The Act provided compensation for slave owners who would be losing their property. The movement to abolish slavery started as early as 1772 when a slave was freed in England after Lord Mansfield's judgement. Since then there have been many anti-slavery movements that set into motion its complete abolition.

8. Those who could not afford chimney cleaning services dropped a goose with its legs tied, down the chimney. It gave birth to the phrase "the blacker the goose, the cleaner the flue".

When the goose flaps its wings, it cleans the chimney as it comes down. Small children were the usual chimney sweepers back then because only they could fit into it. People sold the soot they got from their chimneys to farmers and gardeners to use as fertilizer. Chimney sweeping was one of the essential things to do for clean air in the

house. It is said that Queen Victoria ordered the chimneys be cleaned often after she found out that people breathed foggy, smoke filled air at homes.

9. The Victorians called sausages “little bags of mystery” because there was no knowing what could be inside them.

The Victorians were rather sceptical about sausages and felt that they might be partially filled with horsemeat. The doubts they had were probably justified as there seem to have been reports of butchers killing horses to make sausages. Sometimes butchers were inspected and even moved court where veterinarians gave proof against them. However, how far those accusations and doubts were true is not entirely clear.

10. In the 16th century, the Parliament passed a law that every man, excluding nobility and children younger than six, must wear a flat cap on Sundays and holidays, to avoid being fined.

The Act was passed to increase wool trade within the country. The Bill was repealed in the year 1597, however, the flat cap continues to be widely used even today. Other such sumptuary laws include restrictions on the colours of clothes, fabric and material, food and even the amount of money spent on luxuries were decreed based on the rank and social status of people. It was also a way for the kings and government to prevent or reduce expenditure on foreign goods.

