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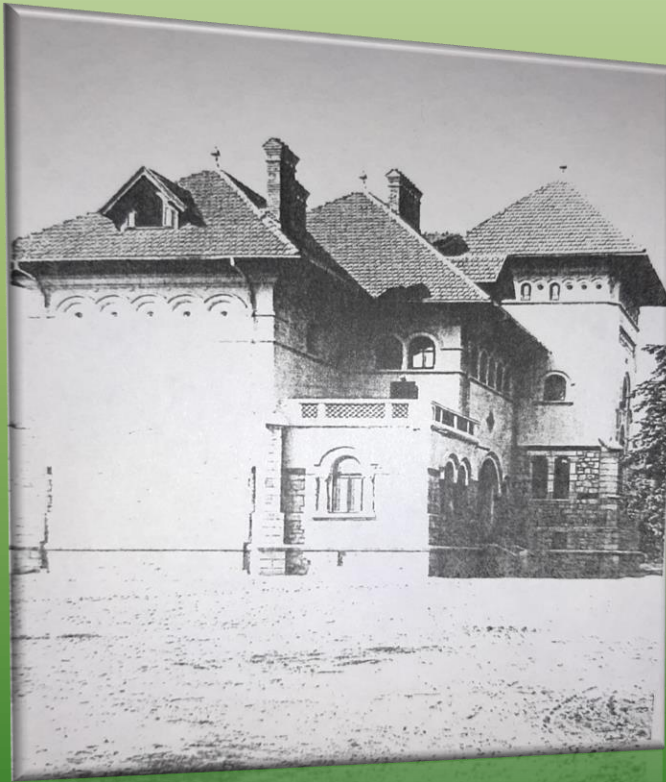
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What you need to know



The Forestry Technical College Piatra Neamț is located in the oldest residential area of the city, offering students the opportunity to qualify in the trades required on the labour market.

The main building of the Forestry Technical College is part of our national heritage, dating from 1929, being built with donations from the Lalu Dumitru family.

STAR's Editorial Team

Did you know ?

Most people assume English is the official language of the United States but the truth is, although that might be the case in many of the states, the federal government has never declared an official language.

Not English or anything else.



Did you know ?



The current US flag was designed by a 17-year-old boy

The current 50-star flag was designed as part of a high school project by 17-year-old Robert Heff.

It was 1958 and there were only 48 states at the time, but Heft had a hunch that Hawaii and Alaska would soon receive statehood. Heft presented his project to the White House, eventually leading to a call from President Eisenhower that it was selected as the official flag of the USA.

Niagara Falls is one of the most iconic waterfalls in the world. In 1885, Niagara Falls State Park became the first state park established in the United States.

It was designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, who also designed Central

Park in New York City

Do you know that rainy London isn't very rainy?

London is known worldwide for being a rainy city. Except for the fact that it's not true at all. London actually sees less rain than Rome, Miami, and Sydney both in terms of volume and number of rainy days.

Did you know that The London Eye is the tallest observation wheel in the world and each rotation takes about 30 minutes.



**Did you know that London had many
names in the past?**

It was called Londinium during the Roman Invasion, Lundenwic in Saxon times, and Lundenburg during the kingdom of Alfred the Great.

-The capital of the UK isn't the only city in the world called London. The U.S. has ten, Canada one, France one – there is even an asteroid called London.

Did you know that?

- Did you know that the Windsor Castle is the oldest royal residence in the world that is still being used by the royal family and that the Buckingham Palace was built in 1702?
- In medieval England even animals were tried in royal courts and punished for damages they inflicted on people or their properties!

Contrary to popular belief that Big Ben refers to the world famous clock, it is actually the name of the thirteen ton bell.

The tower it self is known as Saint



***English originates from North West Germany and the Netherlands. ...**

English has its origins in Old High German, Old Norse and Anglo Norman. Modern English started being used in the 14th century and the closest languages to English are Dutch and West Flemish.

***English is spoken by 952 million people around the world. ...**

339 million people speak English as a first language and 603 million speak it as a second language.

It is the official language in 67 countries and 27 non-sovereign countries.

***The most used adjective in the English language is 'good'**

The most common noun in the English

Language is 'time' and the most

mispronounced word in the English

language is 'Pronunciation'.

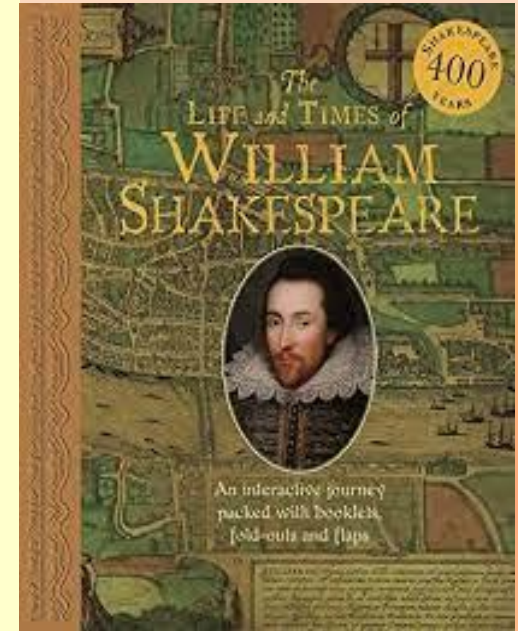
*** English is the language of the sky**

All pilots must identify themselves in English during international flights.

Likewise, all air traffic controllers at international airports must be able to communicate with the pilots in English.

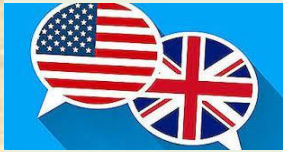
***William Shakespeare had
a great influence on the
English language**

William Shakespeare was an English poet, playwright, and actor. Above all, he introduced thousands of words and phrases into the English language.



***The longest word in the English language
contains 45 letters**

The forty-five letter word,
'pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis', refers to a lung disease caused by inhalation of fine silica dust. The second longest word in the English language dictionary is
'Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia',
that ironically means the fear of long words.



British vs American Vocabulary

Here are some of the main differences in

vocabulary

American English	British English	Romanian
automobile	car	mașina
bar	pub	cafenea
cab	taxi	taxi
candy	sweets	bomboane
Fall,	autumn	toamna
movie	film	film
store	shop	magazin
vacation	Holiday(s)	vacanta
color	colour	culoare
labor	labour	munca
apartment	flat	apartament
cell phone	mobile phone	Telefon mobil
gas	petrol	benzina

ish.

American English Vs British English



soccer
football



movie
film



mail
post



fries
chips



garbage
rubbish



zipper
zip



erazer
rubber



cookie
biscuit



corn
maize



sneakers
trainers



candy
sweet



cab
taxi



BRITISH ENGLISH — AMERICAN ENGLISH



high street



main street

car park



parking lot

flat



apartment

lift



elevator

university



college

Other differences concern preposition usage:



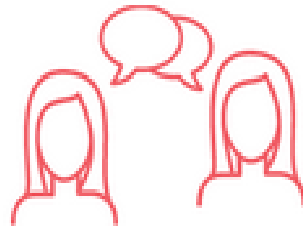
BRITISH ENGLISH

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AMERICAN ENGLISH



I talked **TO** Jane.



I talked **WITH** Jane.

Monday **TO** Sunday.



Monday **THROUGH** Sunday.

AT the weekend.



ON the weekend.





I haven't seen her
FOR weeks.



I haven't seen her
IN weeks.

The date in English



British	American
day + month + year	month + day + year
16/02/2022	02/16/2022
 16th February	 February 16
 "the 16th of February"	 "February 16th"

DATES & YEARS IN ENGLISH

DATES

AMERICAN

- **Month** + **Date** + **Year**

Ex: A: What is the date today?

B: It is June 27th, 2020.

BRITISH

- (the) **Date** (of) + **Month** + **Year**

Ex: A: What is the date today?

B: It is the 27th of June, 2020.

We use **ordinal numbers** (first, second, third, etc) **instead of cardinal numbers** (one, two, three, etc) **to say dates in English.**

Differences

AUTUMN a British - English equivalent of the American-English **'fall'**

BAGGAGE a British - English equivalent of the American-English **'luggage'**

COOKIES a British - English equivalent of the American-English **'biscuits'**

DUSTBIN a British - English equivalent of the American-English **'trash can'**

ELEVATOR a British - English equivalent of the American-English **'lift'**

FILM a British - English equivalent of the American-English **'movie'**

GAS a British - English equivalent of the American-English **'petrol'**

HIGHWAY a British -English equivalent of the American-English **'motorway'**

DO for an action/ Tag questions

American English

- 👉 Americans do not use **do** in this way.
E.g. *I don't practice as often as I should.*
You'd better take your pill – I already have.

British English

- 👉 The British can use **do** to refer to an action already mentioned.
E.g. *I don't practice as often as I should (do).*
You'd better take your pill – I already have (done).

- 👉 **Both the British and the Americans can use question tags when talking about facts.**

BE: *Blackpool is in Lancashire, isn't it?*

AE: *Las Vegas is in Nevada, isn't it?*

- 👉 **But in general Americans use tags much less often than the British. They do not use tags to argue. A sentence like "You aren't listening to me, are you?" Is British but not American. But Americans often use "right?" And "OK?" As Tags.**

BE: *I'll bring the luggage in, shall I?*

AE: *I'll bring the baggage in, OK?*



Why is it important to learn English language?

It is the language of science, aviation, computers, diplomacy and tourism. Last but not least, it is the language of international communication, the media and the Internet.

Whether it is for professional or personal reasons, understanding the importance of English will help you reach your goals.

ENGLISH is YOUR FRIEND !

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