

# Unit 1

A Day in the UK

## Exercise 1

### Vocabulary Challenge

Match the synonyms. Select the correct words on the right.

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| well-mannered |
| monarchy      |
| a stereotype  |
| to be on time |
| to drink tea  |
| funny         |
| posh          |

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| fashionable              |
| to have a sense of humor |
| royal family             |
| polite                   |
| to be punctual           |
| have tea                 |
| a cliché                 |

## Exercise 2

### Vocabulary Challenge

Write the antonym of each word.

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| funny           |
| posh            |
| snobby          |
| rude            |
| to be proud     |
| to have a laugh |
| polite          |
| to be punctual  |

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| friendly, down-to earth |
| polite                  |
| to be serious           |
| to be late              |
| boring                  |
| to be ashamed           |
| rude                    |
| shabby, plain           |

## Exercise 3

### Vocabulary challenge

Underline the words in square brackets that complete the sentence.

1. Being British means that you live with [jokes, diversity, music, crazy weather]. Britain is very multicultural so life here is also multicultural.
2. Being British is having a mix of music. A lot of the music on the British radio is a mix of [boring,

- lively, fantastic, foreign] music with the British music, like rock or metal.
3. The British dominated and colonized a lot of the world. There were bad wars, and a lot of people suffered. I'm [proud of, ashamed of, interested in, good at] that history so I call myself English.
  4. The British have a great sense of humor, we're really funny! We can make [jokes, mistakes, decisions, trouble] out of things and laugh at ourselves.
  5. Britain has [crazy, pleasant, fantastic, beautiful] weather that always changes. Being British means, you leave the house prepared for rain, sun or snow.

## Exercise 4

### Listening

**Listen to Josh talking about British stereotypes and decide whether the statement is true or false.**

**Underline the correct answer. Practice and improve your listening skills.**

*Audio - Track 1.mp3*

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|--|------|-------|
| Josh is from the UK.   | true | false |
| A stereotype is your idea about a group of people that you learned from your own experience. | true | false |
| Josh is going to talk about eight British stereotypes.                                       | true | false |

*Audio - Track 2.mp3*

|   |      |       |
|---|------|-------|
| Josh likes fish and chips so that he eats them every day. | true | false |
| A traditional dish in Scotland is a roast dinner.         | true | false |
| Curry is the least popular.                               | true | false |

*Audio - Track 3.mp3*

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| People are crazy about football.               | true | false |
| Playing cricket is not very common in England. | true | false |
| Josh is mad about rugby.                       | true | false |

*Audio - Track 4.mp3*

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| Josh doesn't like tea.   | true | false |
| Josh's mom drinks 8 cups of tea per week.                                | true | false |
| It's normal to offer guests in the house a cup of English tea with milk. | true | false |

Audio - Track 5.mp3

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| The British like lines.         | true | false |
| Josh speaks with a posh accent. | true | false |

Audio - Track 6.mp3

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| If many people in the country say “ <i>thank you</i> ” it doesn’t mean that the British are more polite than other nations. | true | false |
| Josh thinks that his sister is rude because she didn’t say “ <i>thank you</i> ”.  | true | false |

Audio - Track 7.mp3

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|---|------|-------|
| When the traditional royal parade takes place, all the members of the royal family wear purple. | true | false |
| Older people are more interested in the royal events than young people                          | true | false |
| Josh is not really interested in the royal family.  | true | false |

Audio - Track 8.mp3

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| Josh is always late.                            | true | false |
| The British like making jokes about themselves. | true | false |

## Exercise 5

### Grammar

**Choose the correct option to complete the sentences about likes and dislikes. Underline the correct answer.**

1. I like [eat / eating] baked beans.
2. She can’t [stand / standing] fish and chips.
3. Tom is crazy [about / of doing] sports.
4. They are keen [in / on] drinking tea.
5. We love [watch / watching] TV after school.
6. I can’t [bear / horse] eating ice cream in the winter.

## Exercise 6

### Grammar

Choose the correct option to complete the sentences. Underline the correct answer.

1. I [usually / never] have toast for breakfast. I don't like it.
2. We [sometimes / hardly ever] have dinner in the garden when it's sunny. I love it!
3. She [always / never] drinks coffee in the morning. Then she drinks tea in the afternoon.
4. I work in a restaurant, so I [often / hardly ever] work on Saturdays and have Monday free.
5. He is [usually / never] polite to me. He's a good classmate.
6. In the south of Spain, it [hardly ever / sometimes] rains in the summer.

## Exercise 7

### Grammar

Complete the rules for talking about permission, obligation and prohibition with the words in the box.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ indicates possibility and permission
2. Be \_\_\_\_\_ to indicate permission from another person or group.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ indicates something is not possible.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ be allowed to indicate something is forbidden.
5. Can and be allowed to are followed by a \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The verb form that follows each phrase is the \_\_\_\_\_ form.

Words to complete: **allowed, can, can't, infinitive, not, verb**