

A General Survey of English-Speaking Countries

British People & Their Ways of Life

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General Characters & Manners of the People

1. Exclusiveness(排他)

"I am English, you stay away from me. I am exclusive. I am quite happy to be myself. I do not need you. Leave me alone."



2.Conservativeness (保守)

They have to wait a long time before they are prepared to try something new; they do not accept change although they are told to





- 3. Politeness
 - "please" "thank you"
- 4. Punctuality(准时)

British people expect punctuality especially in the work place or place of study.



5. Day to day etiquette

- 1) queue
- 2)impolite to use a mobile telephone in certain formal situations such as in lectures and meetings.
- 3)When you are invited to dinner, ten minutes late is excellent
- 4)It is customary to leave a 10% tip when eating in restaurants for good service (but not in fast food restaurants such as McDonalds.)



6. Love of privacy

"My home is my castle. The wind can come in, but the Kings and Queens and human beings an never come in without my permission."

- 7. Stiff upper lip(坚定沉着)
- 8. Sense of humor

making fun of their own customs, class system and even their government.



Ways of Life

1. Marriage and Family Life

single-person households;

about 40% of children in Britain are born to unmarried parents;

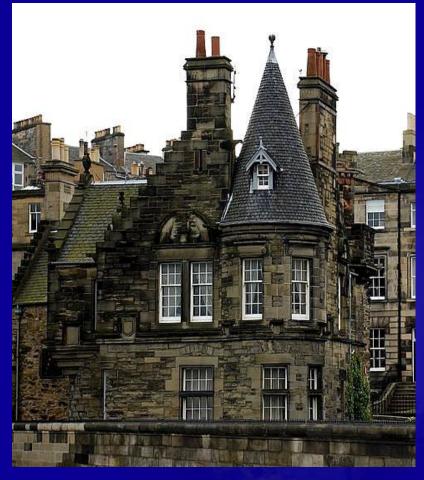
more marriages ending in divorce;





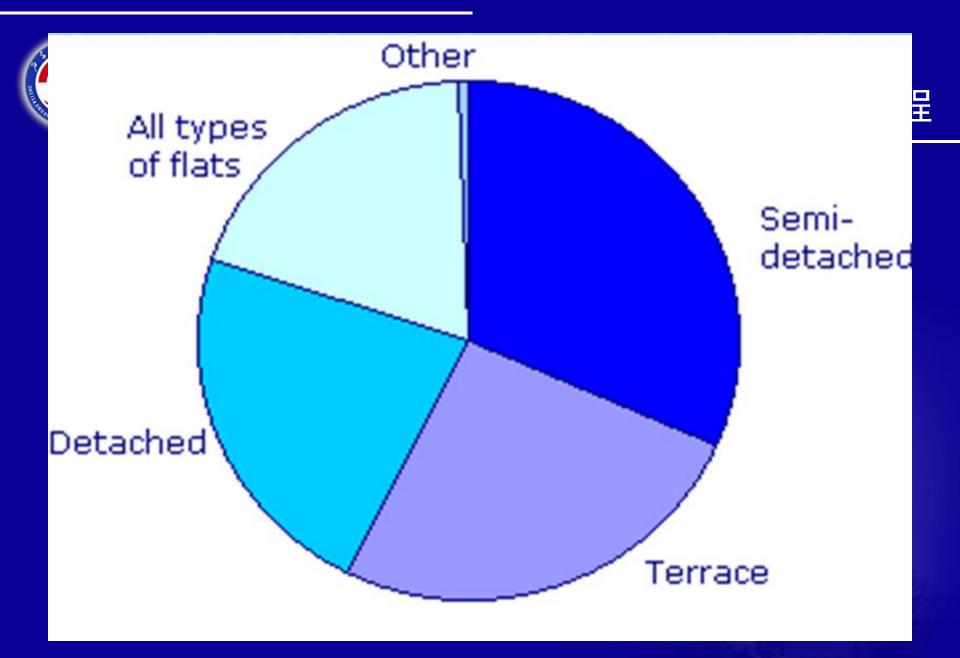
2. Housing







- Most people in England live in urban areas
- The main types of houses in England are:
 - * Detached (a house not joined to another house)
 - * Semi-detached (two houses joined together)
 - * Terrace (several houses joined together)
 - * Flats (apartments)













3. Eating

The most common and typical foods eaten in Britain include sandwich, fish and chips, pies like the Cornish pasty(康沃尔馅饼), trifle and roasts dinners.

The staple foods of Britain are meat, fish, potatoes, flour, butter and eggs. Many of the dishes are based on these foods







• Toad-in-the-Hole(面拖 烤香肠,裹面粉、牛奶、 鸡蛋糊后油煎的肉或 肠)

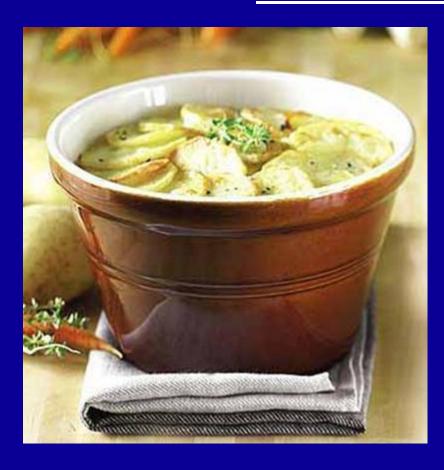




• Bubble & Squeak (食品, 主要用于英格兰,马 铃薯、甘蓝菜炒牛肉 丝;土豆卷心菜炒肉)

















4. Socializing

"How do you do?"

Kiss on one cheek

"Mr." "Mrs."

When invited to a meal by friends, guests often bring a bottle of wine or another small gift.

Pubs











5. Sports and Recreation

Football (soccer), squash(壁球), golf, boxing, rugby (英式橄榄球) cricket (板球), snooker(斯诺克,台球的一种), billiards(台球, 桌球戏), badminton and curling(苏格兰冰上掷石游戏).







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• Rugby-Rugby originated from Rugby school in Warwickshire(沃里克郡, 英格兰一郡名). It is similar to football, but played with an oval ball.





- Tennis- Modern lawn tennis was first played in England. The world's most famous tennis tournament is Wimbledon(温布尔登).
- It begins on the nearest Monday to June 22, at a time when English often have the finest weather.







 Some of the bestknown horse races are held at Ascot,
Newmarket, Goodwood and Epsom.

It's called Royal Ascot because the Queen always goes to Ascot.



- 1.Which choice below does not belong to the characteristics of British people?
- A. Politeness B. Punctuality C. Exclusiveness
- D. like to change





- 2.which sport below was first played in England?
- A. tennis
- B. football
- C. cricket
- D. Pingpang ball

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