

GREAT BRITAIN'S GREAT TRADITIONS

Workshop Vocabulary

Task 1: INTRODUCTION

Talk to your partner and answer the questions below:

1. Where do you come from? Is it important for you where you come from?
2. What customs and traditions is your country or region famous for?
3. Do people observe these traditions these days? Are they as important now as they were in the past?

Task 2: INTRODUCTION

Talk to your partner and try to come up with 10 facts about Great Britain's customs and traditions.

Task 3: VOCABULARY

Check with your partner if you know these words:

Parliament

Pagan

Bard

Cheese rolling

Fireball

Morris dancing

Ritual

Blissful

First footing

Task 4: PRONUNCIATION

Check the pronunciation of the words below at www.howjsay.com

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Shrove Tuesday

Gunpowder

Black bun

Hogmanay

Wreaked

Shortbread

Celtic

Yeoman

Wee

Maypole

Tatter rag

Beltane

Task 5: RESEARCH

All the words in Task 3 and 4 are related to British customs and traditions. Go on-line and try to find out what the traditions are.

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Teachers' Notes

These activities have been designed to be used before the workshops as introduction and a way of getting students interested.

You may also use the material as a follow up activity after the students have attended the event and see how much they remember!