

# American English – Descriptive Similarities And Differences From British English

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- American and British English and their similarities, differences.
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# INTRODUCTION

## ENGLISH

### BRITISH

1400 years old

Rules and  
norms

Science

Politics

Cultural

### AMERICAN

350 years old

Simplicity and  
freedom

Economics

Business

Mass Media

Art



# The Pilgrims are the first group of people who appeared in America

Who were the Pilgrims?

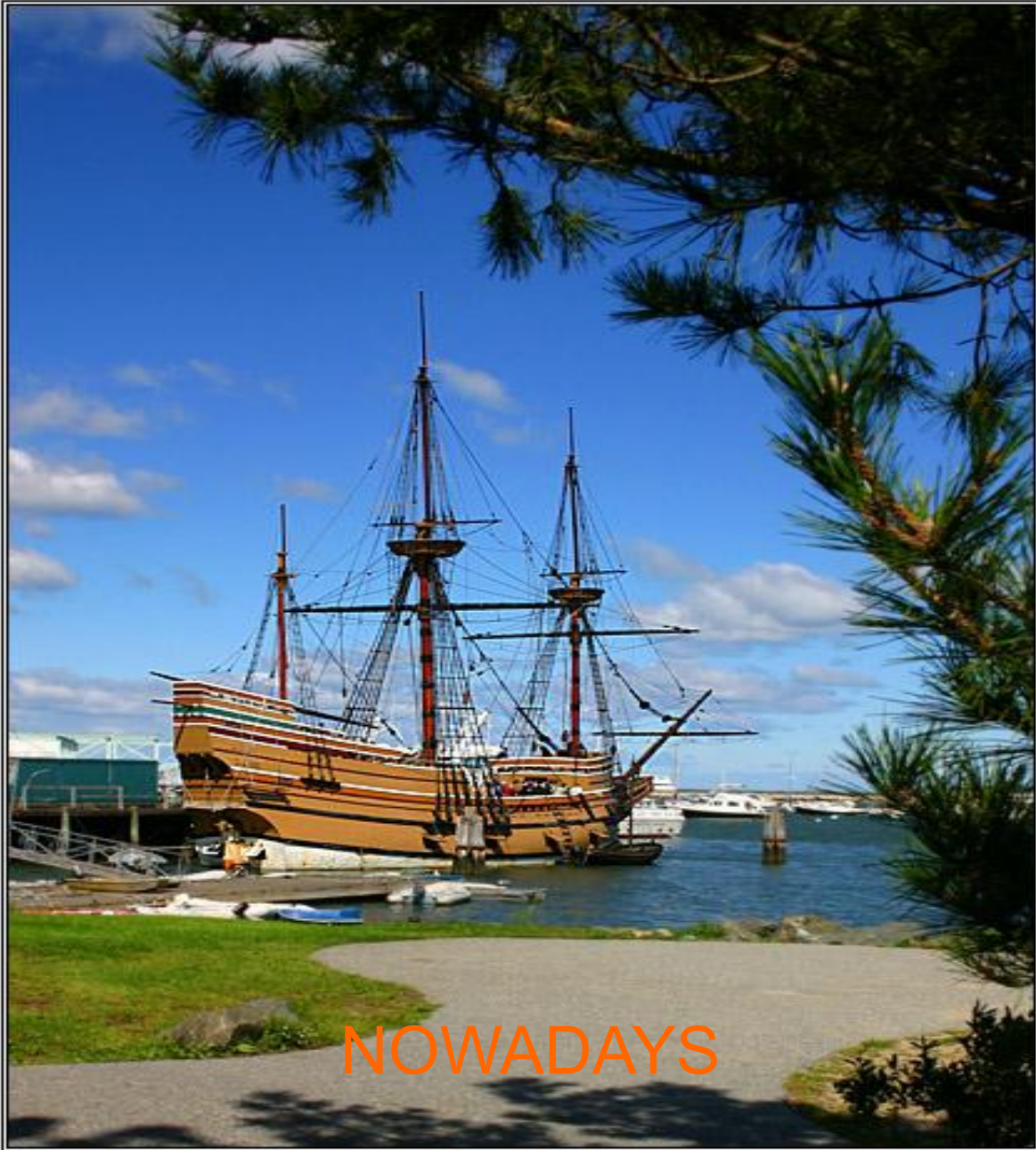




**“Mayflower”  
September 6, 1620  
Plymouth**



**November  
11, 1620  
66 days later**



NOWADAYS

# American and British English and their similarities, differences.



# *Pronunciation and Spelling*

<b>American English</b>	<b>British English</b>
[æ] class bath last	[ɑ:] class bath last
[u:] new produce	[ju:] new produce
[ʌ] hot top	[ɔ] hot top
[r] car port color	[-] car port colour
meter analyze specialize	metre analyse specialise



# Grammar

American English	British English
<p>Future</p> <p>Использование "shall" необычно. Пользуются только "will";</p>	<p>Future</p> <p>Можно использовать "shall" с "I и We" либо "will" для всех лиц;</p>
<p>Perfect/Past Simple</p> <p>Действия прошлого с результатом в настоящем – Present Perfect или Past Simple;</p>	<p>Perfect</p> <p>Действия прошлого с результатом в настоящем – Present Perfect;</p>
<p>Phrasal Verbs</p> <p>Take a bath/a shower</p> <p>Take a holiday;</p>	<p>Phrasal Verbs</p> <p>Have a bath/a shower</p> <p>Have a holiday;</p>
<p>Modals</p> <p>исключительно don't need to+V;</p>	<p>Modals</p> <p>needn't +V / don't need to+V;</p>
<p>Article</p> <p>to/in the hospital;</p>	<p>Article</p> <p>to/in hospital;</p>
<p>Collective nouns</p> <p>England <b>has</b> played well today, even if <b>it</b> lost.</p>	<p>Collective nouns</p> <p>England <b>have</b> played well today, even if <b>they</b> lost.</p>

# Grammar

## American English

Preposition

on the weekend/on weekends

on a street

different from/different than

Write (to) smb.

## British English

Preposition

at the weekend/at weekends

in a street

different from/different to

write to smb;

# Lexicology

Russian	American English	British English
Квартира	Apartment	Flat
Ванна	Bathtub	Bath
Консервная банка	Can	Tin
Конфеты	Candies	Sweets
Магазин	Store	Shop
Печенье	Cookie	Biscuit
Кукуруза	Corn	Maize

Лифт	Elevator	Lift
Кран	Faucet	Tap
Жареный картофель	French fries	Chips
Бензин	Gasoline	Petrol
Детский сад	Kindergarten	Infants' school
Очередь	Line	Queue
Общественный туалет	Restroom	Public Toilet
Брюки	Pants	Trousers
Овсяная каша	Oatmeal	Porridge
Тротуар	Sidewalk	Path
Осень	Fall	Autumn
Метро	Subway/Metro	Tube/Underground
Грузовик	Truck	Lorry
Каникулы/Отпуск	Vacation	Holiday
Шоссе	Highway	Main road
Кроссовки	Sneakers	Trainers
Фамилия	Last name	Surname
Почтальон	Mailman	Postman
Кинотеатр	The movies	The cinema

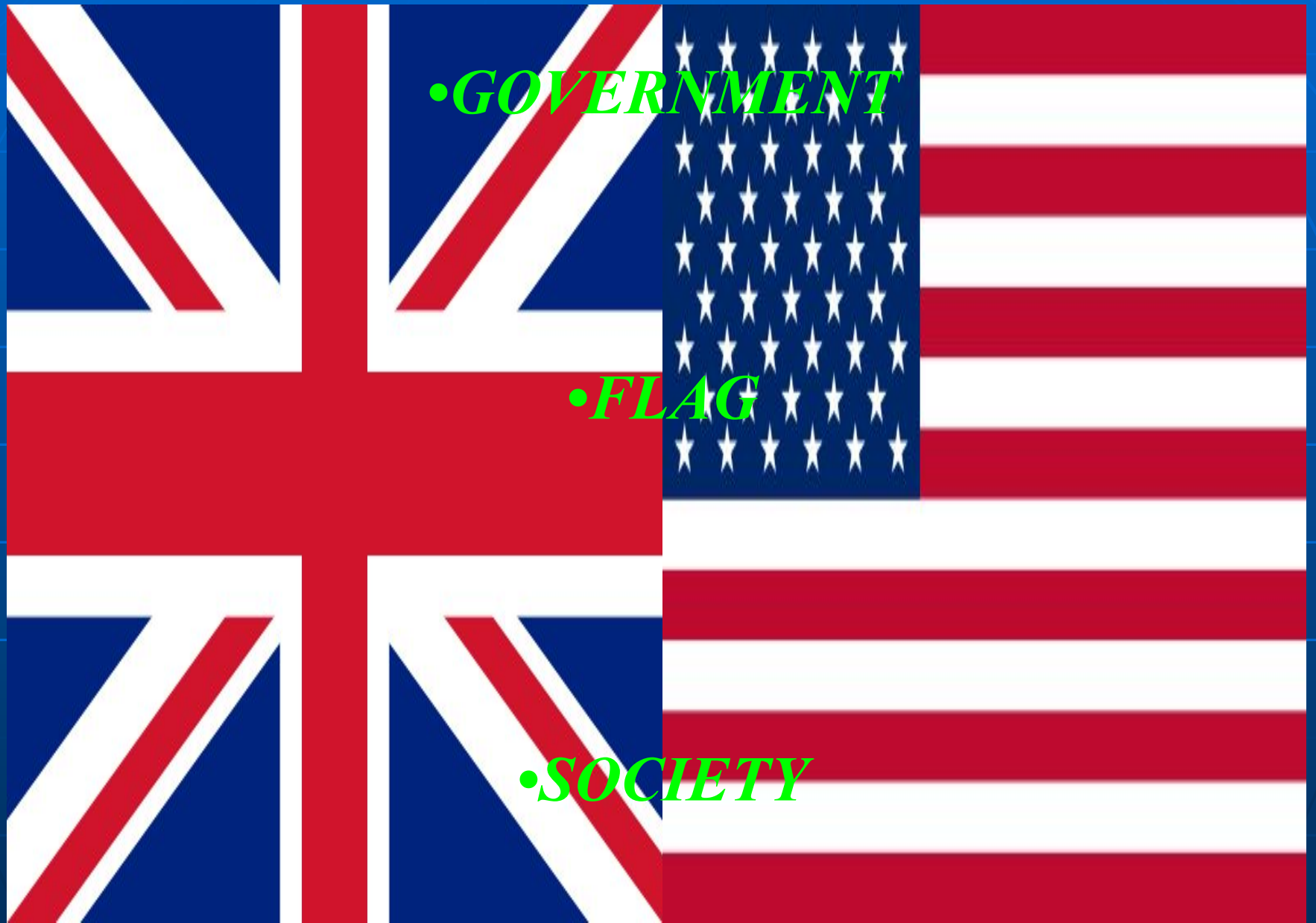
# Differences in national history and national cultural development in Britain and in America

- ***IMPORTANCE OF AMERICAN ENGLISH***

- ***GEOGRAPHICAL POSITION***

- ***LANDSCAPE***





• *GOVERNMENT*

• *FLAG*

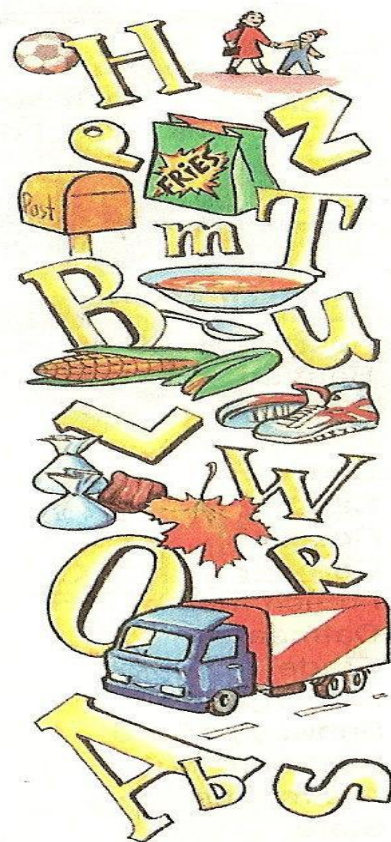
• *SOCIETY*

# LEARNING ENGLISH... WHICH ONE?



2. Write down as many American words as you can.

British English	American English
Flat	_____
Bath	_____
Tin	_____
Sweets	_____
Shop	_____
Biscuit	_____
Maize	_____
Lift	_____
Tap	_____
Chips	_____
Petrol	_____
Infants' school	_____
Queue	_____
Postman	_____
Postbox	_____
Mum	_____
Porridge	_____
Path	_____
Football	_____
Tube / Underground	_____
Lorry	_____
Holiday	_____
Public Toilet	_____
Trousers	_____
Form	_____
Autumn	_____
Main road	_____
The cinema	_____
Trainers / Gymshoes	_____
Surname	_____



How many American words have you memorized?



**Give yourself a score**

More than 28 — You have a fantastic memory! Congratulations!

More than 25 — You have a good memory. Job well done!