

04 Identity

SECTION A Quiz

Choose the correct answer.

- 1 Linguistically, what is Scots most closely related to?
 - A Cornish
 - B English
 - C Scottish Gaelic
- 2 Linguistically, what is Welsh most closely related to?
 - A Cornish
 - B English
 - C Scottish Gaelic
- 3 Which of these is used most often in public life?
 - A Cornish
 - B Scots
 - C Welsh
- 4 What is the British national anthem?
 - A *God Save the Queen*
 - B *Land of Hope and Glory*
 - C *Rule Britannia*
- 5 With which country is haggis especially associated?
 - A Ireland
 - B Scotland
 - C Wales
- 6 With which country is Owain Glyndwr associated?
 - A Ireland
 - B Scotland
 - C Wales
- 7 Which group of post World War Two immigrants to Britain is sometimes known 'the Windrush generation'?
 - A Asian
 - B Caribbean
 - C Irish
- 8 From which immigrant community to Britain has bhangra emerged?
 - A Asian
 - B Caribbean
 - C Irish
- 9 In which part of the UK is religion and identity most often linked?
 - A Northern Ireland
 - B Scotland
 - C Wales
- 10 What are surnames with two parts generally called?
 - A double-barrelled
 - B double-ended
 - C double-sided
- 11 What proportion of children are born outside marriage in modern Britain?
 - A about 10%
 - B about 40%
 - C about 70%
- 12 How do some people in Britain refer to their long-established sexual partners?
 - A my cohabitant
 - B my friend
 - C my partner
- 13 With which part of Britain is the English accent with the highest status associated?
 - A London
 - B Oxford
 - C England generally
- 14 Among British people, which of these personal qualities is generally valued the most?
 - A beauty
 - B humour
 - C intelligence

SECTION B Summary

Put the following clauses and phrases into the correct order to complete a paragraph summarizing approaches to identity in Britain. (Hint: look carefully at the punctuation.)

In Britain, just like anywhere else in the world, people find it easier to mix with other people whom they consider to be in some way 'the same' as them. But how do they decide who is like them and who is not? In some parts of the world, they feel closest to people who are ...

- 1 language,
- 2 social class,
- 3 Neither is it
- 4 especially accent.
- 5 geography or wealth.
- 6 occupation, level of education,
- 7 or who come from the same locality
- 8 everyday habits, and general attitudes.
- 9 Of course, these aspects play a role.
- 10 in the same ethnic group as themselves
- 11 But the major criteria in Britain seem to be
- 12 or who are in the same economic circumstances.
- 13 and the major clue that people use to deduce a person's class is
- 14 But for most people in Britain, the main criterion is not ethnicity.
- 15 It is the combination of these things which in Britain can be described as



SECTION C British words and phrases

Find the word or phrase in chapter 4 of *Britain* which is used to mean or describe:

- 1 courage, determination and refusal to surrender (often used with reference to the British and/or English)
- 2 the largest annual street festival in Europe
- 3 a person in the age group 13-19
- 4 clothes, speech or other behaviour which seems (to the person using this word) to be high class and perhaps pretentious
- 5 the social and identity aspects of being male or female
- 6 behaviour which is negative towards members of another religious group
- 7 a person who comes from Newcastle