What England is today...



... is not what it used to be ...

The Royal Family









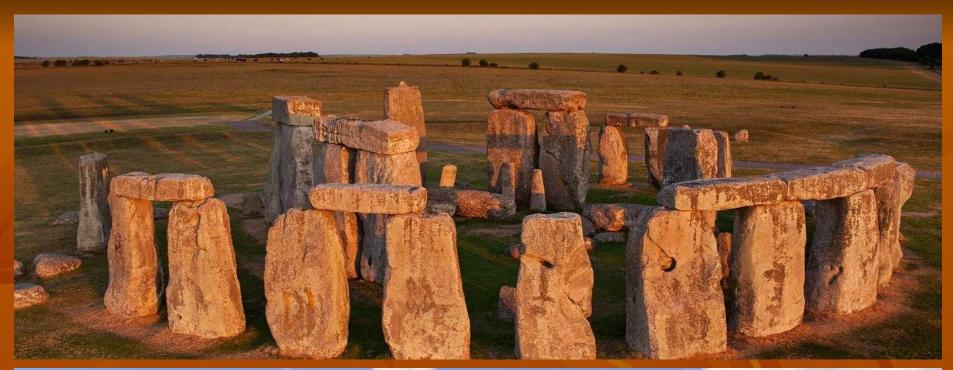
Famous Landmarks







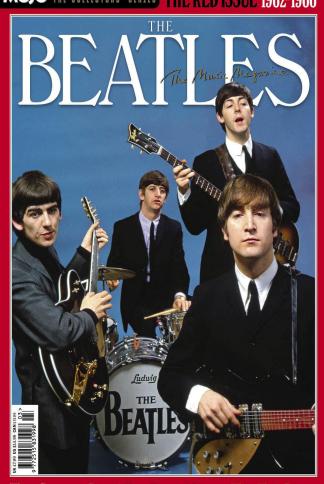






Famous Bands

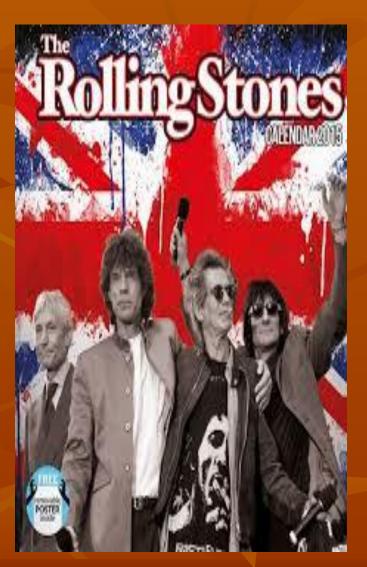
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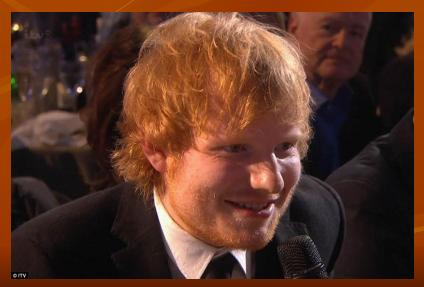




Famous Singers









Famous Crime-Fighter





50 years of '00

Playing Bond ... James Bond



Sean Connery

With his easy smile, deadpan wit, impassive nanner Connery came to epitomize the suave socret agent

Road films* Dr. No. 1962 From Russia With Love, 1963 Goldfinger, 1964

Thunderball, 1965 You Only Live Twice, 1967

Diamonds Are Forever, 1971



George Lazenby

Playing Bond once allowed Lazenby to move from modeling to movies, a care that continued after his short stint as 007

Road film On Her Majesty's Secret Service, 1969



than Connery, Moore's Bond was more youthful, relaxed, tongue-in-cheek Road films Live and Let Die, 1973

The Man With the Golden Gun, 1974

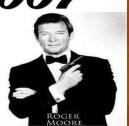
The Spy Who Loved Me. 1977 Moonraker, 1979 For Your Eyes

Octopussy, 1983 View to a Kill, 1985

Who is the best James Bond? 007^{-5}



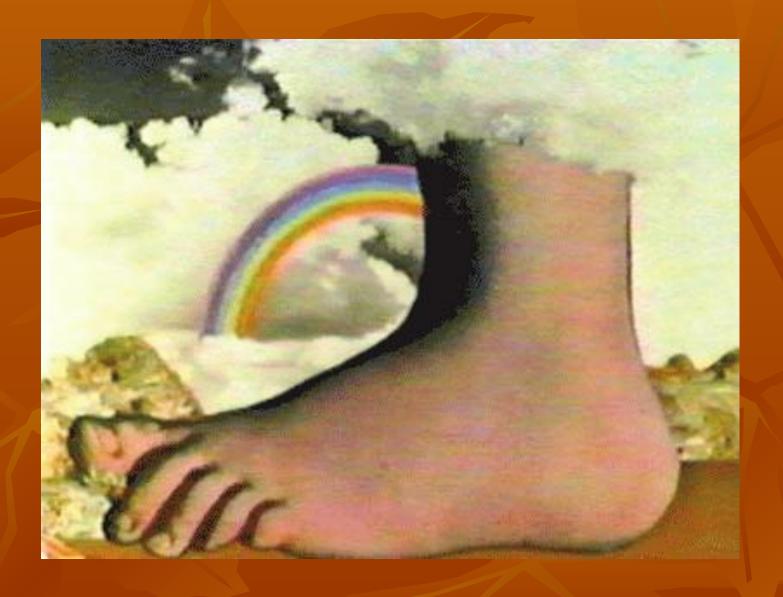










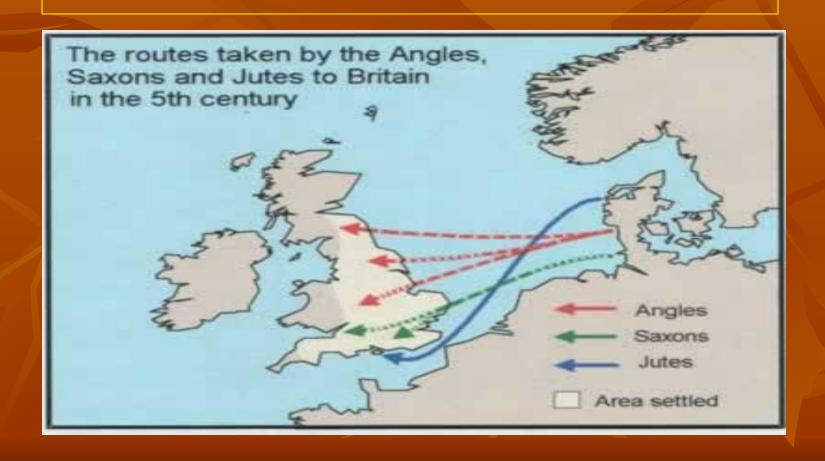


But before all of that

There was ...

Anglo-Saxon Period

449-1066 AD (over 600 years)



Britain before the Anglo-Saxon Arrival

Characteristics

- · Barbaric
- · Violent
- · Uneducated
- Lack of written language
- Lack of structured Christian beliefs



Arrival of the Celts

- Most important conquerors
- Two Celt groups:
 - Brythons (Britons) settled in Britain
 - Gaels settled in Ireland
- Organized in clans; loyal to its chieftain
- Clan disputes settled by Druids (class of priests)
- Druids presided over religious rituals, memorized and recited long heroic poems
- Celtic languages had nothing in common with Germanic language

The Roman Conquest

- Roman Rule started in 55 B.C. and lasted more than 300 years
- Ended when northern European tribes invaded Italy and the Roman Empire began to fall
- Some of Shakespeare's work comes from this period

The Anglo-Saxon Conquest

- Next invaders came from Denmark and Germany.
- Their arrival signaled the start of the English Language.
- Ferocious as the Angles and Saxons may have been, they did not perform piracy for plunder.
- They were in search of and won territory.

Early Anglo-Saxon Life

- The first Angles, Saxons, and Jutes transferred to England their highly organized tribal units
- Each tribe ruled by a King that was chosen by a council of elders (Witan)
- Brought Pagan beliefs that "every human life was in the hands of fate"
- Worshiped ancient Germanic gods
- In terror of the Anglo-Saxons, the Britons retreated to the edges of their island
- Spoke Celtic languages

Currency



Games

Culture



Housing





Ship Construction



Food and Feasts



Warfare and Weapons

Christianity and Literature

- The church brought to England two elements of civilization: Education and Literature
- Christianity caused disruption in the Anglo-Saxon civilization differed from Pagan beliefs
- Christianity = Free Will
- Paganism = Fate

Venerable Bede (673-735, 65 yrs)

- First historian of England; commissioned by Alfred the Great
- Famous for writing "A History of the English Church and People" (clearest account of Anglo-Saxon times)
- He was a monk; his life consisted of reading for mental exercise, prayer for spiritual exercise, meditation and physical exercise.
- From boyhood, he was placed in monastery and dedicated his life to service of God and learning.
- Unheated monastic cell
- Pens made of bird feathers, parchment paper (skin of an animal prepared for writing on)

Alfred the Great

- Credited with changing the course of British literature
- 871 ascended to the Wessex throne only King to be honored with "the Great"
- Instrumental for preserving remnants of pre-Danish civilization
- Encouraged a rebirth of learning and education
- Fostered the growth of the English language
- Kept records of English history in the "Anglo-Saxon Chronicle"
- Successors Aelfric and Wulfstan

Anglo-Saxon Literature

- Began with Celtic Druids (priests) functioned as storytellers, reciting poems about Celtic leaders and their heroic deeds
- Storytelling, spoken verse and incantations (a formula of words used during a ritual) performed by Scops
- Characteristics
 - Kenning metaphorical phrase used to replace a noun
 - Four beat lines; frequent reversal of word order
 - Formal rigid pattern of word stresses gave the lyrics a terse, sing-song effect
 - Caesura mid-line pause
 - Alliteration repetition of sound

Anglo-Saxon Literature

Prose

- Heroic poetry achievements of warriors
- Elegiac poetry sorrowful laments (mourn aloud, crying out in grief) morning death, mournful contemplative poem
- Lyric poem one that expresses intense personal emotions
- Recited and chanted aloud

The Seafarer

- Compiled during the Alfred the Great era sometime between 871 899
- Elegy mournful, contemplative poem
- Speaker experiences life as an isolated and wandering exile
- Conflicts between Pagan and Christian beliefs

Beowulf

- Most important work; National Epic of England
- Epic long heroic poem written by an Unknown Author
- Many references to both Pagan and Christian ideas
- Values of a warrior society, dignity, bravery and the prowess in battle
- http://www.wwnorton.com/college/english/nael/noa/a udio.htm

Characters in Beowulf

Danes (Scyldings)

- Beowulf the Dane (Beow)
- Ecglaf
- **■** Freawaru
- Helafdene
- Heremod
- Hrethic
- Hrothgar (King)
- Hrothmund
- Hrothhulf
- Scyld Sceafing
- Unferth
- Weatheow

Geats (Weder-Folk)

- **■** Beowulf (Hero)
- Ecghteow
- Haethcyn
- Heardred
- Hrethel
- Hygd
- Hygelac
- Wiglaf

Monsters

- Grendel
- **■** Grendel's Dam
- Dragon
- Nicors (nickers)

Other Characters

- Cain
- Abel