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Britain: the good and the bad

It rains a lot here.

Yes, but it doesn't rain every day.

G present simple ⊕ and ⊖ V verb phrases: cook dinner, etc. P third person -s

1 VOCABULARY verb phrases

a 3.1 Listen and match the sounds and verb phrases.

- ☐ drink mineral water ☐ like animals ☐ watch TV
☐ play the guitar ☐ speak German

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c 3.3 Listen. Say the phrases.

1 TV (watch TV)

2 GRAMMAR present simple ⊕ and ⊖

a Read the article below. Complete the things Carola likes (1–8) with a word or phrase from the list.

gardens Indian food multiculturalism pubs
the BBC the freedom the language the weather

b 3.4 Listen and check.

c Answer the questions with a partner.

- Look at the highlighted phrases. How are the verbs different in phrases 7 and 8? Why?
- Find the negative ⊖ forms in the article and complete the chart. How are they different? Why?

⊕	⊖
I have	
It rains	

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WHAT THE BRITISH LIKE ABOUT BRITAIN



- multiculturalism. People from all over the world live in the UK, and they live together happily. Usually.
- _____. English is international. I speak English. You speak English. I don't have communication problems.
- _____. My garden's small, but I have flowers and vegetables in it. When the sun's out I sit in the garden and I feel really happy.
- _____. I wear what I want. I say what I want. I do what I want.
- _____. I listen to the radio in the morning and I watch TV in the evening. A lot of programmes are interesting, funny, or educational. Sometimes all three.
- _____. We drink there, and we eat there, too – the food now is very good.
- _____. It's cold, but not very cold. It's hot, but not very hot. It rains, but it doesn't rain every day.
- _____. My boyfriend cooks fantastic curries, and the UK is great for Indian restaurants!

3 PRONUNCIATION third person -s

Final -s or -es

The pronunciation rules for verbs ending in -s and -es are the same as for plural nouns.

a How do you pronounce these plural nouns?

books keys watches

b 3.6 Listen to the sounds and sentences. Then listen and repeat.

/s/ She speaks Arabic.
He drinks a lot of coffee.
She cooks every day.

/z/ It rains a lot.
He has a cat.
She does exercise.
He goes out on Friday night.

/ɪz/ He watches American programmes.
The film finishes in a minute.
The bar closes at eleven.

c 3.7 Listen. Change the sentences.

1 I live in a flat. She. (She lives in a flat.

My name's Carola. I'm
a journalist. I like...



- d Work in pairs. Tell your partner six true things about you, three ☐ and three ☐. Choose verb phrases from **Vocabulary Bank** Verb phrases p.153.

(I play tennis. I don't wear glasses...

- e Change partners. Tell your new partner the six things about your old partner.

(Eva plays tennis. She doesn't wear glasses...

4 READING

- a Read the article on the right. Write ✓ if the person is positive about the UK, X if he or she is negative, and ✓X if he or she is positive and negative. Give reasons for your answers.
- b Read the article again. Complete the sentences with a name.
- _____ likes the weather.
 - _____ and _____ don't like the weather.
 - _____ loves the food.
 - _____ and _____ don't like the food.
 - _____ and _____ think British people are friendly.
 - _____ thinks British women live in a different way from her country.
 - _____ doesn't think British people work hard.
- c Look at two words from the article. Match them to their meanings. What do you think *everywhere* means?

everybody /evrɪbɒdi/

everything /evriθɪŋ/

- 1 all things _____ 2 all people _____

5 SPEAKING

- a Complete the sentences under each heading in your own words. Think about why you like (or don't like) them.

Things I like about my country

My favourite thing about _____ is...

I really love...

I also like...

Things I don't like about my country

One thing that I don't like is...

I also don't like...

- b Compare your sentences with a partner and say why. Do you like the same things?

(My favourite thing about Italy is the food, because I love pasta and real Italian pasta is fantastic.



Useful words: Why? and because

Use **because** to answer the question **Why?**

I don't like the weather **because** it rains a lot.

WHAT FOREIGNERS WHO LIVE IN BRITAIN THINK

Erdal, 39, is from Turkey. He has a café in Cardiff. In Turkey we work hard and our jobs are important for us. British people don't work like that. They only want to finish work and go home.



Khalal, 39, is from Iraq. He lives in Newcastle. I don't like the weather. One minute it's hot and the next it rains. It changes all the time. And I don't like the food. Potatoes, potatoes, potatoes...

Camille, 20, is from France. She lives in Liverpool. The British are friendly. People in the street often call me 'love', 'sweetheart', and 'darling'. It makes me happy!

Shurooq, 21, is from Oman. She lives in Chorlton, Manchester. In the UK women have a lot of freedom. In my country, if I want to go to the bank I take my brother and he does everything for me. Here I do everything. I like the weather here. I love days when it rains, or it's cold. It's so different from the weather in Oman! The people are also nice and friendly.

Michelle, 24, is from Canada. She lives in London. My favourite thing about Britain is the Scotch eggs. We don't have Scotch eggs where I come from. Everybody says that British food is awful, but I love it, especially in pubs. The shops are great, too, for example, Topshop and Primark.



Lian Tang, 24, is from China. She lives in Manchester. I love the UK. Why? Because I like the culture, the art, the history. I also love the beautiful scenery, for example in Cornwall and in Scotland. The only things I don't like about the UK are the weather and the food. I really don't like fish and chips.

