

★ ALL STARS ★

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Read the descriptions of the following English cities.

Pay attention to neutral sounds and the short and long vowels!



York, a historic city in the north of England, is a place where the past and present blend seamlessly. For many, visiting York for the first time feels like stepping back in time. The city's ancient walls, charming cobblestone streets, and magnificent churches, such as York Minster, are perfect for exploring.

Early in the morning, you might hear the songs of birds as you wander through the quiet streets. York is not just a place of historical interest but also a vibrant urban center with modern amenities. If you prefer a relaxed afternoon, there are plenty of quaint cafes where you can stir tea and watch the world go by.

One of the city's main concerns is preserving its heritage while ensuring long-term sustainability. Initiatives to protect the earth are evident throughout York, balancing the needs of both history and modernity. This commitment makes York a city worthy of multiple visits, each offering a new perspective on its rich cultural tapestry.



Brighton is a vibrant city on the south coast of England. It is often called "London by the sea" due to its bustling atmosphere and urban appeal. Brighton is the perfect place to experience both city life and the tranquility of nature. When you visit, you might hear the sound of seagulls and other birds as you walk along the famous pebble beach.

If you're a fan of tea, Brighton offers numerous cozy cafes where you can stir tea and relax while enjoying the seaside views. The city is also known for its commitment to sustainability, with many initiatives aimed at protecting the earth and promoting long-term environmental health.

Brighton is a lively, welcoming city that captures the essence of English culture while offering a unique, coastal twist.



BATH



If I were to recommend a city in England that combines history and charm, it would be Bath. Nestled in the countryside, Bath is famous for its Roman-built baths. Walking through the city, you might hear the chirping of birds echoing through the historic streets.

One pleasant surprise in Bath is the excellent service you receive everywhere, from the quaint tea rooms to the elegant hotels. Locals often refer to the city's atmosphere as welcoming and serene. Many cultural events occur throughout the year, making every visit unique.

While Bath is perfect for a short-term getaway, its beauty and heritage will leave a lasting impression on you. You might have heard about the city's stunning Georgian architecture and inviting parks, but experiencing them in person is truly special.

SPEAKING AND LISTENING!

Did you know these English cities? Which one did you like the most? Can you mention other English cities?

I bet you mentioned LONDON! How do you pronounce that word?

What do you know about London?

Let's find out what music artist Lily Allen thinks about the city in her song "LDN"



Did you know this song?

Did you like it? Why? Why not?

Can you mention some main topics in this song?

Do you agree with the artist's point of view? Why? Why not?



LDN - LILY ALLEN

Riding through the city on my bike all day
'Cause the filth took away my license
It doesn't get me down and I feel okay
'Cause the sights that I'm seeing are priceless
Everything seems to look as it should
But I wonder what goes on behind doors
A fella looking dapper, and he's sitting with a slapper
Then I see it's a pimp and his crack whore

You might laugh, you might frown
Walking 'round London town

Sun is in the sky, oh why, oh why
Would I wanna be anywhere else?
When you look with your eyes
Everything seems nice
But if you look twice
You can see it's all lies

There was a little old lady who was walking down the road
She was struggling with bags from Tesco
There were people from the city having lunch in the park
I believe that it's called al fresco
When a kid came along to offer a hand
But before she had time to accept it
Hits her over the head, doesn't care if she's dead
'Cause he's got all her jewelry and wallet

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Life, yeah, that's city life (Angel, Dalston, Stockwell)
Yeah, that's city life (Clapton, Soho, Ladbroke Grove)
Yeah, that's city life
Life, yeah, that's city life (Camden, Brixton, Putney)
Yeah, that's city life (Tottenham, Chiswick, Old Kent Road)
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