

A MULTICULTURAL SOCIETY

About 200,000 people leave the UK every year and now about 5.5 British people live in other countries. The most popular places are Australia, Spain, the USA and Canada.

MORGAN



My grandparents moved from Wales to Australia in the 1960s because my grandad didn't have a job and wanted a new life. My mum was born on the ship while they were travelling here! My dad was born in Australia. My mum's parents speak English with Welsh accent. Of course, mum, dad and I all speak Australian English. A lot of the festivals are the same in Britain and Australia but we also have Australia Day and Anzac (Australia and New Zealand Army Corps) Day here!

TOM



I live in Poland with my parents and my older sister. My mum's Polish and my dad's Scottish. They met while my mum was studying veterinary science in Edinburgh. They moved to Gdansk when they got married because mum wanted to live near her parents. We speak English at home but I speak Polish at school. We celebrate all the Polish festivals, like Independence Day on 11th November, with my mum's family. My dad always has a big party on New Year's Eve because he's Scottish.

JASMINE



My grandparents came to Spain in 1990 when they retired because they like the sunshine, the food and the people. They live in a retirement village near Malaga. My mum and dad met while they were both working in a factory in Birmingham. They didn't like their jobs so they came here in 1992. Now, they work in hotels. I was born here and it's my home but I have a British passport. I speak Spanish all the time - I only use English at home. My family celebrates British festivals. I celebrate Spanish festivals like Twelfth Night with my friends

Match the words (1.7) with the definitions (a-g)

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| 1. Welsh | a) (noun) the medical care of sick animals |
| 2. accent | b) (noun) the state of being free from the control of another country |
| 3. veterinary science | c) (noun) the period of a person's life when they have stopped working because they're old |
| 4. independence | d) (noun) light or heat from the sun |
| 5. retire | e) (noun) a way of speaking that shows that a person comes from a particular place |
| 6. retirement | f) (verb) to stop working because of old age or illness |
| 7. sunshine | g) (adjective) relating to Wales and its people |