

Esta semana hacemos un descanso de gramática y nos vamos a dedicar a ver algunas curiosidades del inglés.

1. Palabras curiosas:

Set. Es la palabra en inglés con más definiciones diferentes (25 concretamente). Aquí os dejo unas cuantas: juego, fijar, poner, alinear, decorado, conjunto, establecer, ajustar...

Hullabaloo es otra curiosa palabra inglesa y significa alboroto.

Strengths es la palabra más larga en inglés con una sola vocal (y una sola sílaba)

Rhythm, es la palabra más larga que no contiene vocales

hungry y **angry,** son las únicas palabras que acaban en -gry

Otra palabra curiosa es **Whippersnapper** (significa mequetrefe).

Ningún número en inglés, del 0 al 999, contiene la vocal "a"

Goddessship (diosa) es la única palabra del inglés que tiene una letra triplicada.

Scrumptious, significa riquísimo, sabrosísimo. Es una palabra onomatopéyica. Proviene del sonido que una persona hace al chuparse los dedos o sorber la sopa.

2. Otras curiosidades:

La reproducción de los sonidos:

- Los perros hacen: **woof, woof** en lugar de guau, guau

- Los pájaros hacen: **tweet, tweet,** y no pio, pio

- Al beber hacemos: **slurp,** y no glu, glu

- Y al comer algo rico: **yummy, yummy,** no ñam, ñam

- Al besar hacemos: **smooch,** nada de muac!

- Y... atención! El gallo no hace kikiriki, sino: **cock-a-doodle-doo!**



3. Palabras que son diferentes en UK y EEUU:

BRITISH ENGLISH - AMERICAN ENGLISH

American football - **football**

autumn - **fall**

bin - **trash can**

biscuit - **cookie**

bonnet - **hood** (cars)

boot - **trunk** (cars)

busy - **engaged** (phones)

caravan - **trailer**

car park - **parking lot**

chemist - **drug store**

chips - **french fries**

city centre - **downtown**

crisps - **potato chips**

CV - **resume**

film - **movie**

flat - **apartment**

football - **soccer**

garden - **yard**

holiday - **vacation**

lift - **elevator**

mark/grade - **grade**

motorway - **freeway/highway**

mobile phone - **cell phone**

off-licence - **liquor store**

pants - **underpants**

petrol - **gas**

pocket money - **allowance**

post - **mail**

primary school - **elementary school**

pub - **bar**

return - **round-trip** (ticket)

rubber - **eraser**

rubbish - **garbage/trash**

secondary school - **high school**

single - **one-way** (ticket)

shop assistant - **sales clerk**

sweets - **candy**

takeaway - **take out**

tap - **faucet**

timetable - **schedule**

torch - **flashlight**

trainers - **sneakers**

trousers - **pants**

underground - **subway**

wardrobe - **closet**

zip - **zipper**

SPELLING

catalogue - **catalog**

centre - **center**

cheque - **check**

colour - **color**

favourite - **favorite**

honour - **honor**

jewellery - **jewelry**

maths - **math**

metre - **meter**


neighbour - **neighbor**

Homework:

1. Find 10 curiosities about the Spanish language and explain them in English.

- Spanish is the **fastest** language. Spanish speakers can say more syllables per second than other speakers.
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2. Complete the table with common stereotype.

 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • British people are always drinking tea • British food is terrible • • • 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French people are dirty • The French eat a lot of cheese • • •
 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every American owns a gun. • Americans only eat fast food • • • 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People in Spain speak very loudly. • Everybody loves bullfighting • • •

Soluciones ACTIVIDADES Sesión 6

Exercise 1. Can, could, be able to?

<p>1. _____ he understand what you were talking about?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>Could</u></p> <p>2. My sister _____ play tennis now.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>can</u></p> <p>3. I _____ walk when I was less than a year old.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>could</u></p> <p>4. (Polite) _____ you tell me what time it is, please?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>Could</u></p> <p>5. My grandfather _____ walk without any help last night.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>was able to</u></p>	<p>6. I would like to _____ play the piano.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>be able to</u></p> <p>7. How long have you _____ drive?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>been able to</u></p> <p>8. I'll _____ help you later.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>be able to</u></p> <p>9. Can you help me? I _____ never understand this.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>can</u></p> <p>10. Will people _____ live forever one day?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>be able to</u></p>
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Exercise 2. must or have to?

<p>1. Yesterday I _____ finish my geography project.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <u>had to</u></p> <p>2. She will _____ wait in line like everyone else.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> <u>have to</u></p> <p>3. All employees _____ on time for work.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> <u>must be</u></p> <p>4. We _____ forget to take the chicken out of the freezer.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> <u>mustn't</u></p> <p>5. If you are under 13 you _____ to get your parents' permission.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> <u>have</u></p>	<p>6. Your daughter may _____ try on a few different sizes.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> <u>have to</u></p> <p>7. The doctor _____ get here as soon as he can.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> <u>must</u></p> <p>8. Do you _____ work next weekend?</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> <u>have to</u></p> <p>9. Bicyclists _____ remember to signal when they turn.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> <u>must</u></p> <p>10. Angela, you _____ leave your clothes all over the floor like this.</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> <u>mustn't</u></p>
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Exercise 3. Read the interview and finish the conversation using your own ideas.

**Today in
Famous Anonymous:
“Mikelus Urkus”**

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Mikelus: I also was the one who cooked the first **hard-boiled egg!**

Interviewer: What the heck!

Mikelus: **It also happened by chance.**
It was a winter day ... and I had found a net with two bird eggs in the forest.
When I went back to the cave I made a fire for my family and I put the eggs next to me.
I got asleep and the next morning, when I tried to crack the eggs they were hard-boiled!

Henry: **Wow, how amazing!**
Thank you very much for sharing your experiences with us.
It has been a pleasure to meet you.
Thanks again.

Mikelus: **Thanks to you for inviting me.**

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