

British or American Fashion Trivia Quiz

Student A

Read out a line from your worksheet and see if your partner can guess if it is about the UK (the underlined one) or about the USA. Don't change the wording, as there are both useful facts and British or American English words or expressions. If their guess is right, they get two points. If they are not sure or don't understand the hint, they can ask for the other hint in the same section and then guess which one is British and which is American. A correct guess after two hints gets one point. Take turns doing that for your partner and guessing if their sentences are about the UK or USA until your teacher stops you.

Useful language for doing the activity

I think it's the UK/ USA.

I'm not sure. Can I have the second hint?

I think the first one is American and the second one is British.

Clothes vocabulary with different meanings in British and American English

Where are Gap jeans, chinos and other pants from?

Where are Marks and Spencer briefs, boxers and other pants from?

Where would your suspenders hold up your Ann Summers stockings?

Where would your suspenders hold up your JC Penney pants?

Different appearance words in British and American English

Where can you buy Converse sneakers at Barneys?

Where can you buy Reebok trainers at JD Sports in Bluewater Shopping Centre?

Where can you buy an Umbro sports kits at Sports Direct?

Where can you buy Nike sports uniforms at Fanatics?

Where were Jockey briefs invented by Arthur Kneibler?

Where were Y-fronts first sold by Simpson of Piccadilly in 1938?

Where can you buy Fred Perry polo necks from Intu Trafford Centre?

Where can you buy J Crew turtle neck sweaters at King of Prussia Mall?

Where is a vest part of a Brooks Brothers three-piece suit?

Where is a waistcoat part of a Next three-piece suit?

Where can you buy Accessorize lace thong knickers for eight pounds?

Where can you buy five pairs of Victoria's Secret hip hugger panties for thirty dollars?

Where can you buy a Ben Sherman woolly hat at House of Fraser?

Where can you buy a Carhartt ski hat in Macy's?

Switch worksheets and do the same, making sure that you start with the most difficult (as your partner has already seen them). Then ask about anything you don't understand.

Student B

Read out a line from your worksheet and see if your partner can guess if it is about the UK (the underlined one) or about the USA. Don't change the wording, as there are both useful facts and British or American English words or expressions. If their guess is right, they get two points. If they are not sure or don't understand the hint, they can ask for the other hint in the same section and then guess which one is British and which is American. A correct guess after two hints gets one point. Take turns doing that for your partner and guessing if their sentences are about the UK or USA until your teacher stops you.

Useful language for doing the activity

I think it's the UK/ USA.

I'm not sure. Can I have the second hint?

I think the first one is American and the second one is British.

Clothes vocabulary with different meanings in British and American English

Where would you wear your vest over an Old Navy shirt and under a Tom Ford jacket?

Where would you wear your vest under your River Island shirt?

Where would you keep your Aviator sunglasses in your purse?

Where would you keep your pounds and pence and John Lewis store card in your purse?

Different appearance words in British and American English

Where can you buy a DKNY bathing suit at Neiman Marcus?

Where can you buy a Miss Selfridge swimming costume from the Bullring?

Where would you buy Heist tights to go under your Topshop skirt?

Where would you buy Spanx pantyhose to go under your Banana Republic skirt?

Where can you buy Caterpillar rain boots at DSW?

Where were waterproof wellington boots named after the Duke of Wellington?

Where can you buy The North Face raincoats from Bloomingdale's?

Where was the rubberised mackintosh first made by Charles Macintosh in 1824?

Where do New Look dungarees look a bit like trousers held up by braces?

Where do Tommy Hilfiger overalls look a bit like pants held up by suspenders?

Where can you buy a Burberry bum bag in Harrods department store?

Where can you buy a Coach fanny pack in Saks Fifth Avenue?

Where can you buy a Jigsaw trouser suit at Harvey Nichols department store?

Where can you buy a Ralph Lauren pantsuit from Lord and Taylor?

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Clothes vocabulary with different meanings in British and American English

Try to remember or think of at least two different meanings for these words.

pants
suspenders
vest
purse

Match the words above to the meanings below.

- attachments to hold up stockings
- braces to hold up your trousers
- handbag
- like a wallet
- trousers/ slacks
- underwear worn on the bottom half of your body
- underwear worn on the top half of your body

Use the worksheets above to help, then check as a class.

Different clothes vocabulary in British and American English

Match the British words on the left with American ones with the same meanings on the right. ... means that you need to use some words from the one on the left to complete the American expression.

trainers	bathing suit
sports kit	fanny pack
Y fronts	jockeys/ jockey briefs
polo neck	overalls
waistcoat	pant...
knickers	panties
woolly hat	pantyhose
swimming costume	rain...
tights	raincoat
wellington boots	ski...
mackintosh	sneakers
dungarees	suspenders
braces	turtle neck (sweater)
bum bag	... uniform
trouser suit	vest

Check above. The ones with the same meaning are in the same pair of phrases above.