



JULY OPEN WORKSHOP



American English vs British English

VOCABULARY

<u>US English</u>	<u>UK English</u>
vacation	holiday
elevator	lift
cafeteria	canteen
line	queue
apartment	flat
college	university
first floor	ground floor
French fries	chips
pants	trousers
garbage/trash	rubbish
baggage	luggage
day care center	creche

<u>US English</u>	<u>UK English</u>
gasoline	petrol
truck	lorry
sidewalk	pavement
hood	bonnet
trunk	boot
parking lot	car park
intersection	crossroads
highway	motorway
flashlight	torch
movie theater	cinema
drugstore	chemist
aluminum	aluminium

- John put the **baggage** in the **trunk** of his car. (US)
- Lots of employees have returned from **holiday**, so there is a **queue** to enter the building. (UK)
- Be careful when throwing away cloths in the **garbage** that have been soaked in **gasoline**. (US)
- She left her car in the **car park** and took the **lift** to the 4th floor. (UK)

SPELLING

<u>US English</u>	<u>UK English</u>
-ize	-ise
organize	organise
apologize	apologise
-yze	-yse
analyze	analyse
paralyze	paralyse
-or	-our
color	colour
behavior	behaviour
-er	-re
center	centre
meter	metre
-e-	-ae-
encyclopedia	encyclopaedia
pediatrician	paediatrician

<u>US English</u>	<u>UK English</u>
-ll-	-l-
enroll	enrol
fulfill	fulfil
-el-	-ell-
canceled	cancelled
traveled	travelled
-ense	-ence
defense	defence
license	licence
-og	-ogue
analog	analogue
dialog	dialogue
-e-	-oe-
maneuver	manoeuvre
diarrhea	diarrhoea

- She decided to **analyze** the **center** of the wafer. (US)
- He **apologised** for his **behaviour** in the meeting. (UK)
- Hiroshi **canceled** the meeting and **organized** another one. (US)
- Sue had to **enrol** in that course in order to get a **licence**. (UK)



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GRAMMAR

PREPOSITIONS

US English

in
I studied engineering **in** college.
on
What are you doing **on** the weekend?
through
I work Monday **through** Friday.
than
It's different **than/from** the others.

UK English

at
I studied engineering **at** university.
at
What are you doing **at** the weekend?
to
I work Monday **to** Friday.
to
It's different **to/from** the others.

COLLECTIVE NOUNS

US English

The team **was** happy with **its** performance.

The government **is** doing everything **it** can.

UK English

The team **was/were** happy with **its/their** performance.

The government **is/are** doing everything **it/they** can.

VERBS

US English

I am going to **take** a bath.
Should we ask our supervisor?
She hasn't **gotten** up yet.
He **dove/dived** into the pool.
I have **learned** a lot.

UK English

I am going to **have** a bath.
Shall we ask our supervisor?
She hasn't **got** up yet.
He **dived** into the pool.
I have **learnt** a lot.

PUNCTUATION

QUOTATION MARKS

US English

"We have no time for a meeting," Tom said.
Kate said, "I heard him say, 'It's okay.'"

UK English

'We have no time for a meeting', Tom said.
Kate said, 'I heard him say, "It's okay"'.

PERIODS AFTER TITLES

US English

Mr. Smith is meeting Dr. Williams tomorrow.

UK English

Mr Smith is meeting Dr Williams tomorrow.



Workshop Activity



Select the sentences written completely in **American English** or **British English**.

- 1) Select the sentence written in American English.
 - a) Should we go home early today to watch the soccer game?
 - b) Shall we go home early today to watch the football game?
 - c) Shall we go home early today to watch the soccer game?
- 2) Select the sentence written in British English.
 - a) That was a dangerous manoeuvre to do on the highway.
 - b) That was a dangerous maneuver to do on the highway.
 - c) That was a dangerous manoeuvre to do on the motorway.
- 3) Select the sentence written in American English.
 - a) She wants to enroll in an engineering course at college.
 - b) She wants to enroll in an engineering course in college.
 - c) She wants to enrol in an engineering course at university.
- 4) Select the sentence written in British English.
 - a) He decided go to the canteen to have a break.
 - b) He decided go to the canteen to take a break.
 - c) He decided go to the cafeteria to take a break.
- 5) Select the sentence written in American English.
 - a) The manager said, 'Please drive safely in the car park'.
 - b) The manager said, "Please drive safely in the parking lot."
 - c) The manager said, "Please drive safely in the car park".
- 6) Select the sentence written in British English.
 - a) There was a long line at the petrol station to get petrol.
 - b) There was a long line at the gas station to get gasoline.
 - c) There was a long queue at the petrol station to get petrol.
- 7) Select the sentence written in American English.
 - a) The team was pleased that the site will provide a day care center.
 - b) The team were pleased that the site will provide a day care center.
 - c) The team were pleased that the site will provide a creche.
- 8) Select the sentence written in British English.
 - a) He searched for it in the boot of his car using a torch.
 - b) He searched for it in the trunk of his car using a torch.
 - c) He searched for it in the trunk of his car using a flashlight.
- 9) Select the sentence written in American English.
 - a) He said, "We are going to use aluminium for that new product".
 - b) He said, "We are going to use aluminum for that new product."
 - c) He said, 'We are going to use aluminium for that new product'.
- 10) Select the sentence written in British English.
 - a) The manager emphasized the need for more skilled labor.
 - b) The manager emphasized the need for more skilled labour.
 - c) The manager emphasised the need for more skilled labour.