

HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S

DAY

“Everybody is a little Irish on St. Paddy’s Day”





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WHAT'S YOUR IRISH NAME?

LAST LETTER OF YOUR FIRST NAME:

A = SPRINKLES
B = DAFFODIL
C = FIGHTIN'
D = BUNYON
E = WARTY
F = TOADSTOOL
G = WOOLY
H = CLOVER
I = BLARNEY

J = CLUMSY
K = THUNDEROUS
L = TATER
M = BLEARY
N = GREENIE
O = RUSTY
P = LUCKY
Q = FORTUNE
R = SHILLELAGH

S = GOLDIE
T = PEEVISH
U = FEARSOME
V = POTSY
W = DIZZY
X = PATTY
Y = STUMPY
Z = WHISPERS





WHAT'S YOUR IRISH NAME?

FIRST LETTER OF YOUR LAST NAME:

A = O'BLAZE

B = McTAVERN

C = O'RAINBOW

D = McMUFFIN

E = O'WOBBLES

F = McFEARSOME

G = O'KNUCKLES

H = McDOODLES

I = O'LOONEY

J = McWHISKEY

K = McTURNIPS

L = O'BOURBON

M = McSMELLY

N = McCOPPERTOP

O = O'GINGERLY

P = McFEVERISH

Q = O'CRANKY

R = McKNOB

S = McWOOZY

T = O'SHIVERS

U = McCHARMLESS

V = O'WICKLESS

W = McSPUD

X = McOUTRAGE

Y = O'LYN

Z = McSULLIED





A Brief History of St. Paddy





History and Traditions

- Celebrated on the 17th of March in honor of the patron saint of Ireland Saint Patrick (who's real name is Maewyn Succat).
- Didn't become a national holiday in Ireland until 1903!
- First St. Patrick's Day Parade happened in Boston in 1737
- Holiday was popularized by large celebrations in the US, where over 34 Million people claim Irish heritage! (There's only 5 Million people in Ireland).
- In Chicago, they dye the river green every year in celebration.
- While the holiday has religious roots, it's now about celebrating all things Irish!





Luck, Superstition, and Leprechauns

Luck and Superstition (a widely held but irrational belief in supernatural influences, especially as leading to good or bad luck) remain a huge influence of the holiday and on Irish culture.

Leprechauns are another popular feature of this holiday, with children worldwide setting out to catch a leprechaun and steal their gold. But these little creatures are known for their cunning and trickery!

Many Irish, and people in general, remain superstitious. Certain objects are believed to bring good luck, such as horse shoes and four-leaf clovers.

“The Luck of the Irish” term was actually coined in California during the 1850’s Gold Rush, when many Irish came to America in search of gold.





Irish in Popular Culture

The Irish have had a huge influence on popular culture, especially in the US. Can you name these famous Irish people and brands?



This famous Irish boxer and MMA fighter is considered one of the best fighters of all time. Who is it?



This popular breakfast cereal is full of marshmallows?



What is the name of the Boston basketball team?



Ireland has produced more than its share of musicians, but this Band is by far the largest. Hits include "Sunday, Bloody Sunday" and "With or Without You"





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The Irish Diaspora

A “Diaspora” is a scattered population whose origin lies in a separate geographic locale. There remains more people with Irish identity outside of Ireland than within Ireland.

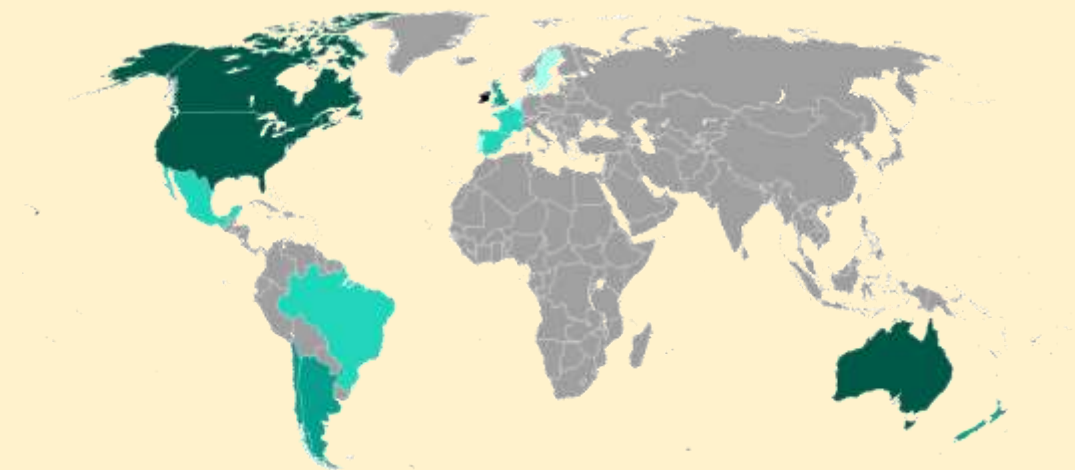
Historic Diasporas:

African

Jewish

Armenian

Irish



Irish Population
+ 1,000,000 + 100,000 + 10,000 +
1,000





Irish and Spain



A map of Spanish cultures in pre-Roman times

While disputed, the Toros de Guisando near Avila are believed to be an example of Celtic Spain art



The Spanish Gaeta (left) and the Scottish Bagpipe (right)





Irish Gaelic (Irish) Words and Phrases

- Failte (fawl-cha) - Welcome
- Dia duit! (JEE-uh ditch) - Greetings!
- Slan (slawn) - Goodbye
- Le do thoil (lat a han) - Please
- Go raibh maith agat (guh ruh mah a-gut) - Thank you
- Conas ata tu (kun-ass a-taw too) - How are you?
- Maith (moth) - Good
- Athair (ah-her) - Father
- Mathair (maw-her) - Mother
- Adh mor ort (ah more ort) - Good luck
- Eire (Ay-ra) - Ireland

When the Irish say...	They mean...
Grand	Very good
Grand	Surprisingly good
Grand	Good
Grand	Okay
Grand	Not okay
Grand	Bad
Grand	Feeling a bit down
Grand	Depressed
Gas craic	Fun/Funny/Entertaining
I will, yeah	I won't
I'll let you go	I want to end this conversation
Sure, this is it	I've nothing else to say
Sure look	Generic answer to any question or statement
I'll be there in a minute	I'm about 25 minutes away





Discussion Questions

1. Do you believe in “Luck”? Why or Why not?
2. Do you have any superstitions?
3. What is the difference between being “Lucky” and being “Fortunate”?
4. Is cultural identity important to you?
5. What defines your identity and why? Country? Heritage? Religion? Passion? Hobbies?
6. How important is having a country/homeland to you?





Activities and Irish Spirit

1. It's Easy! On March 17, Just wear a spot o' GREEN!!!!)
1. Join in the coin toss at break and help donate to a charity of your choice!
1. Embark on a perilous and complicated Scavenger hunt to find clues around the School.





Lucky Coin Toss and Donation

At break try your luck tossing a coin into “Lucky Larry” the Leprechaun’s pot of gold/rainbow. At the end of the week, all proceeds will be donated to a charity of the school’s choice.





Scavenger Hunt!!!!

Join the ranks of your fellow students and race to find
A POT O' GOLD!!!!!!!!!!

1. Students will search individually or in small groups, but they will work together as a class.
2. You will have 3 days to find the TREASURE
3. Treasure will be shared with the winning class
4. GOOD LUCK!

