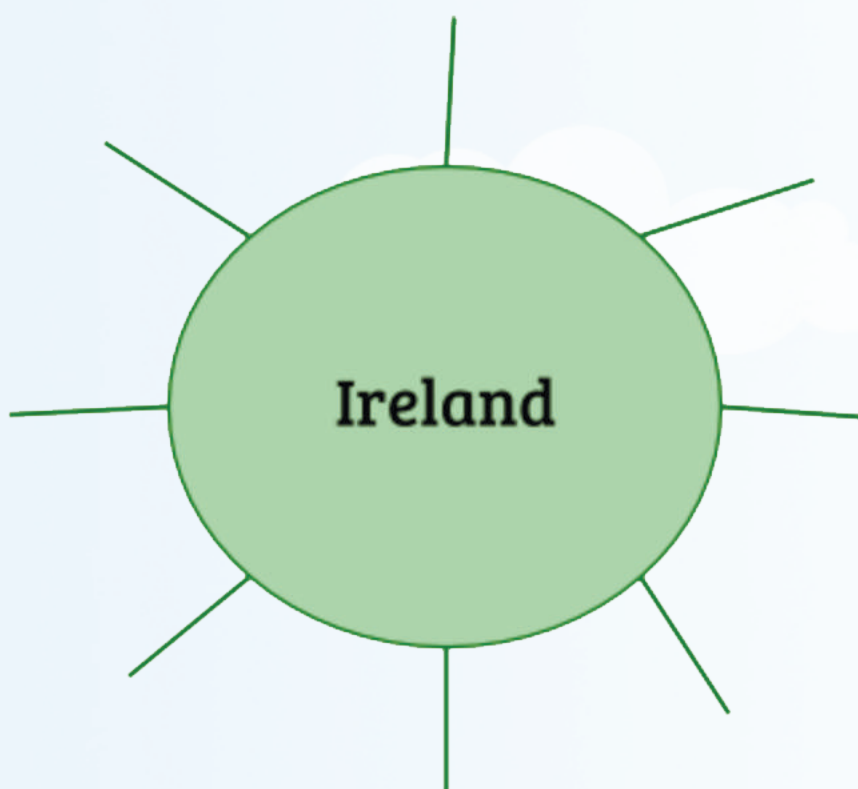


# Travelling to Ireland (worksheet)

## Activity 1

*Discuss the questions in pairs:*

1. Have you ever been abroad? Where have you been?
2. Do you have your favourite destination?
3. What English-speaking countries do you know? Where would you like to go to?
4. What's the difference between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland (Ireland)?
5. What do you know about Ireland?



## Activity 2

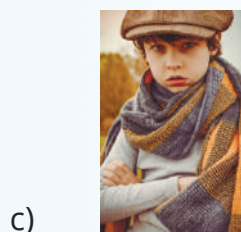
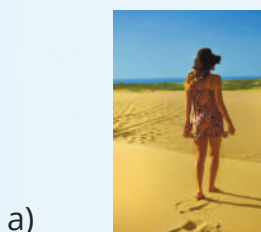
*Read the sentences and choose the correct definitions or pictures:*

1. He has a gift for languages. He speaks five languages now and is planning to learn some more.
  - a) a natural ability or talent
  - b) a present or something that is given
  - c) a desire to do something
2. He dreams of a cruise through the breathtaking fjords along the coast of Norway.
  - a) deserted islands
  - b) ancient villages
  - c) a long strip of sea between steep hills

3. The US dollar fell yesterday against most foreign currencies.  
a) economics  
b) the money in use in a particular country  
c) politics
4. I prefer travelling during a shoulder season, especially in spring and autumn, when fares tend to be relatively low and there are not crowds of crazy tourists.  
a) a travel season between peak and off-peak seasons  
b) a period of the year characterized by particular conditions of weather, temperature, etc.  
c) a period of time with a lot of heavy rains
5. In autumn I am afraid to catch a cold in rainy days therefore I always wear waterproof footwear.  
a) very warm shoes  
b) shoes or boots that can be completely submerged in water, and water would not soak into the materials.  
c) comfortable shoes
6. When we were first married we had to pinch pennies just to get by.  
a) to waste money  
b) to spend as much as possible  
c) to spend as little money as possible
7. He's in the Bahamas with his friends living it up every day.  
a) to have an exciting and very enjoyable time with parties, good food and drink  
b) to spend a lot of time on the beach  
c) to have terrible time
8. Could you lend me 20 quid, mate?  
a) a pound  
b) a CD  
c) a car
9. I really fancy the sound of the harp, a large, wooden musical instrument with many strings that you play with the fingers.



10. It's so cold in winter here that I have to dress in layers: a T-shirt, a sweater, a jacket and so on.



## Activity 3

Ireland's green hills, rocky coasts, and cozy pubs have drawn tourists for centuries. How much do you know about this island nation?

*Mark the sentences True or False:*





1. The Irish flag is orange, white and green.
2. The capital of Ireland is Dublin.
3. The currency used in Ireland is pound sterling.
4. Ireland gained Independence from Britain more than two hundred years ago.
5. Official Languages: Irish and English.
6. Ireland does not have any of type of snakes.
7. The English Channel separates the island of Ireland from the island of Great Britain and is connected to the Atlantic Ocean to the South.
8. Dublin's Trinity College Library houses an extremely rare artifact, an original copy of the Canterbury Tales.
9. Oscar Wilde, James Joyce, George Bernard Shaw, Bono were born in Ireland.
10. St. Andrew is a patron saint of Ireland.
11. Harp was banned in Ireland for 200 years.
12. The legend says that Blarney Stone, a popular attraction of tourists to Ireland, gives you the gift of the ability to speak with charm and persuasion.



## Activity 4

*Match the places and what they are famous for:*

Fjords, food, nightlife, Trinity college, surf towns, farms,  
the longest coastal scenic highway, offbeat live music, the Cliff of Moher, fishing villages.

 <p>1. Dublin</p>	 <p>2. Galway</p>	 <p>3. Wild Atlantic Way</p>	 <p>4. County Cork</p>

Watch the video and check.



Discuss with your partner:

1. What place in the video would you like to visit? Why?
2. What are you most interested in:
  - sightseeing,
  - culture,
  - dining and entertainment,
  - nightlife,
  - active sport?

## Activity 5

Imagine that you are going to Ireland. What things do you need to do or plan in advance before the trip?



*Brainstorm your ideas about a trip to Ireland:*

1. when to visit -
2. what to pack -
3. costs and budgeting -
4. accomodation -

*Watch the video and check your ideas.*



*Watch the video again and answer the questions:*

1. Why do Vagabrother recommend to go to Ireland during the shoulder seasons?

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2. Why do they recommend to dress in layers?

\_\_\_\_\_.

3. Where are only debit cards and cash accepted?

\_\_\_\_\_.

4. What do they recommend to say if you want to talk like Irish people?

\_\_\_\_\_.

5. How much money do they recommend to have per day for a trip?

\_\_\_\_\_.

6. What is the cheapest cost of the accomodation?

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## Activity 6

*Plan a trip to Ireland with your partner:*

1. Where would you go?
2. How many days and where would you stay?
3. What places would you visit?
4. What would you pack?
5. How much money would you take?

