# THE HAPPIEST PERSON IN BRITAIN

to **claim**to say that (sth) is true or is a fact, although you cannot prove it and other people might not believe it

to **declare** (v.)to announce clearly, firmly, publicly or officially

to **state**(sth) as true, or to state your support for (idea, opinion, etc.)

to **enable**to make sth possible

to **impose**to establish (sth) as a rule to be obeyed or to force people to accept (sth)

to **obey**­to act according to

to devoteto dedicate

to **comprehend**to **understand**

to **persuade**to **convince**

to **mend**to **fix**to **repair**

**gadget** (n.)a small device or machine with a particular purpose

**equipment**set of necessary tools, clothing etc. for a particular purpose

**free time****leisure time****spare time**

**drawback****a disadvantage**

**accurate****correct**

**survey** (QUESTIONS)an examination of opinions, behaviour etc., made by asking people questions

**questionnaire**a written list of questions that a number of people are asked to complete so that information can be collected

*Visitors to the country have been asked to* ***fill in*** *a detailed questionnaire.*

**inhabitant** the people who live in a certain place

to **own**to **possess** (v.)**possession** (n.)

SISTER WENDY

a monasterya place where nuns or monhs live

blissfuly (adv.)bliss (n.)perfect happiness

confinement (n)the situation of being kept somewhere usually by force

to confine (v.)to restrict to a certain place/area

*to be confined to a bed due to an illness*

*to confine an animal in a cage*

contemplation (n.) contemplate (v.)to spend time considering enthusiasm (n.)a feeling of energetic interest in a particular subject or activity and an eagerness to be involved in it

lonely (adj.)loneliness (n.)

solitary (adj)being the only one, or not being with other similar things, often by choice

solitude (n)the situation of being alone without other people

verbosity (n.) verbose (v.)using more words than are necessary

a kind-hearted person

characters in the book

priceless (adj.)it is so valuable it doesn't have a price

SPORT AND LEISURE

jigsaw (puzzle)a picture stuck onto wood or cardboard and cut into irregular pieces which must be joined together correctly to form the picture again

swimming costumebathing costume or bathing suit

roda long thin pole made of wood or metal

refeerejudge

rodstick

skis (n.)skiing (v.)hiking

winnerthe one who comes in first

the runner upthe one who comes in second

to keep fit

This sport doesn't appeal to me.

I'm not keen on this sport.

I'm not fond of this sport.

competitorsthose who competite

in apponentrival

supportor of the team

outdoorsin the open air

skilfulskilfully

superior  inferior

failure (n.)to fail (v.)*an exam*

golf course

tennis court

to trainto teach

to practiseto do a sport

luxuryluxurious

APPEARANCE

plump (adj.)having a soft rounded body; slightly fat

obese (adj.)extremely and unhealthily fat

a bit overweight

stout (adj.)(esp. of older people) quite fat and solid-looking

chubby(esp. of children) fat in a pleasant and attractive way

*chubby little fingers and toes*

*chubby cheeks*

*a chubby smiling face*

slender (adj.)thin and delicate, often in a way that is attractive

slim (adj.)attractively thin

well-builthandsomeattractivegood lookingmuscular

thirtyish

round facedlong faced

dark skinnedfair skinned

brown eyed

beardmoustachea few grey hairs

a frechled girl

curly, wavy, straight hair

crew-cut, bald, receding hair

thinthick hair

CHARACTERS

intelligent = smart = bright = brainy = clever quick to learn

able (SKILFUL)clever or good at what you do

talented = gifted

shrewdclear understanding and good judgment of a situation, resulting in an advantage

dumb = half-witstupid and annoying

foolish = silly = brainless = daft  lacking in judgment

simpleeasily deceived; not experienced

dimnot bright; not giving or having much light

cunningclever at planning sth so that you get what you want, esp. by tricking other people

slyable to deceive people in a clever way

craft(a job or activity needing) skill and experience, esp. in relation to making objects

optimisticpessimistic

extrovertedintroverted

relaxedtense

easy-going = even-tempered

sensiblehaving an awareness or understanding of a situation

down-to-earthpractical, direct or ordinary

sensitiveeasily influenced, changed or damaged, esp. by a physical activity or effect

sociable = gregarious

quarelsome = argumentative

cruel = sadistic

rude = impolite = ill-mannered not polite; offensive or embarrassing

discourteousrude and not considering other people's feelings

bluntsaying what you think without trying to be polite

abruptnot friendly or polite and using few words

brusquequick and rude in manner or speech

curtrude as a result of being very brief

honest = sincere

trustworthy = reliable

jealous = envious

determined = stubborn = obstinate = pig-headed

thrifty = economical

miserly (adj.) a great desire to possess money and hatred to spend it, sometimes living in very unpleasant conditions because of this

meannot willing to give or use (sth) freely; stingy

tight-fistedone who is unwilling to spend money

self-assuredhaving confidence in your own abilities

self-importantfull of oneself (c.)

arrogantunpleasantly proud and behaving as if you are more important than, or know more than, other people

assertivebehaving confidently and is not frightened to say what they want or believe

agressivebossy (c.)

original special and interesting

peculiarunusual and strange, sometimes in an unpleasant way

weirdvery strange and unusual, unexpected or not natural; bizarre

eccentricstrange or unusual, sometimes in an amusing way

oddstrange or unexpected

frankhonest, sincere and truthful, even when this might make other people uncomfortabledirect

openhonest and not secretive

broadmindedwilling to accept other people's behaviour and beliefs, esp. sexual behaviour

unprincipledhaving or showing no moral rules or standards of good behaviour

permissiveallowing behaviour which other people might disapprove = lenient also

enquiringvery eager to learn new things.

inquisitivenosy (c.)

generouswilling to give money, help, kindness, etc., esp. more than is usual or expected

extravagantspending, using or doing more than necessary in an uncontrolled way

innocenthaving no knowledge of the unpleasant, evil things in life

naive(too) willing to believe that someone is telling the truth, that people's intentions in general are good or that life is simple and fair. ambitiouspushy (c.)

shytimid

to trickto deceive

punctualsomeone who always comes on time

absent mindedone who doesn't know what is going around him, too occupate with one's minds

carelessnot taking or showing enough care and attention

industrioushard working

moodyone who changes moods all the time

wittyone who makes amusing remarks

mutual (adj.)feeling the same emotion, or doing the same thing to or for each other

bigoted/disapproving/ who has strong opinion about different gender, politic, rase

academicrelating to schools, colleges and universities, or connected with studying and thinking, not with practical skills

peerpeople of your age

pursuit of knowledgelooking for knowledge

robelong dress

blindfold (n., v.)(to put on) a strip of cloth which covers someone's eyes to stop them from seeing

fablea story where animals speak

knightvitez

anxietyanxious

to believe (v.)a belief (n.)

an opponent = a rival

THE FARMER AND HIS SONS

moralmorality

friendfriendship

loyalloyality

neighbourneighbourhood

to bury (v.)to put (a dead body) into the ground, or to put (sth) into a hole in the ground and cover it

puncture (n.)a small hole made by a sharp object, esp. in a tyre

vineyard (n.)a piece of land on which vines, plants which produce grapes, are grown

treasure = wealth

dead (adj.)death (n.)

ART

What kind of a person should be an artist?

talented, artistic, creative, skillful, musical,…

to performperformanceperformer

tone-deafnot able to recognize different notes or sing tunes accurately.

conduct (v.) MUSICto direct the preformance of (musician or a piece of music)conductor (a person)

The one who plays the piano is pianist.

If you say that something is music to your ears, you mean that you are very pleased to hear it.

to humto make a continuous low sound

preface (n.)something which comes before and introduces something more important, esp. a piece of text at the beginning of a book explaining its aims

intervals *between a play*

a critic writes reviews

paperbackhard back/cover

currentout of date = absolete, no longer topical/in use/fashionable

at the andin the end (finnaly)

conceit (n.)too much pride or too much confidence in your general ability to perform particular actions or to achieve particular aims

conceited (adj.)/disapproving/

*He's a conceited young man who believes he's always right about everything.*

dull (BORING) (adj.)not interesting or exciting in any way

gripping (adj.)interesting or exciting

*I found the book so gripping that I could not stop reading it from start to finish.*

blurb (n.)a short summary on the back of the book

inventor, sculptor

librarian, politisian, historian

praise (v.)to express admiration or approval about the achievements or characteristics of (a person or thing)

to announceto make an announcement

widewidth

longlength

deepdepth

warmwarmth

strongstrength

highheight

weighweight

THE WRITER, THE PAINTER AND THE MUSICIAN

**outnumber** (v.)to be greater in number than

**painfully**

**grief-stricken**extremely sad

**dispensary** (n.)a place where medicines are prepared and given out, often in a hospital

**usefuluseless**

**subsequent** (adj.)happening after sth else

**nervous breakdown**

**abandon** (v.)to leave (a place, thing or person) forever

bitter feelingsresentful angry

limelight (n.)receiving a lot of public attention and interest

popularpopularity

(to) poison (v., n.)poisonous (adj.)

to breathebreath

a geniousa prodigerya child with extrodenery skills and abilities

thorougly (adv.)completely

dotingloving

siblinga brother or a sister

pigeon (n.)a large usually grey bird, which is often seen in towns sitting on buildings in large groups, and is sometimes eaten as food

amateurproffesional

**feature** (n.)an esp. typical quality or important part

**spill** (v.)to (cause to) fall or spread beyond the limits of sth

lifelike (adj.)real

**onwards**from then

undisputedlyunquestioned

to apologizean apology

**influenzaflue**

to lose (v.)**loss** (n.)

**battered** (adj.) damaged, esp. by being used a lot.

to **spot** (v.)to see or notice, usually when it involves looking hard

**bustling** (adj.)full of busy activity

**steamy** (adj.)hot and humid

to **tap**to hit (sth) gently, and often repeatedly, esp. making short sharp noises

tap, US faucet (n.)a device which controls the flow of liquid, esp. water, or gas

thustherefore

then (temporal meaning)

than (comparative meaning)

NATIONALITIES

discreet (adj.)careful, factful in what one says

bigot (n.)a person who has strong, unreasonable beliefs and who thinks that anyone who does not have the same beliefs is wrongbigoted (adj.)

prejudice (n.)when you show dislike based on language, feature,…

sophisticated = refined = elaborate having a good understanding of the way people behave and a good knowledge of culture and fashion

reservedthe habit of not showing your feelings or thoughts

hospitable (adj.)friendly and welcoming to guests and visitorshosthospitality

hospitable hostile (adj.)hostility (n.)

casual = informal

nationalisticstrong devoted to one's country nation

tolerant (adj.)tolerance (n.)

lazy (adj.)laziness

respectfulone who pays respect

respectedone who is respected

respectableone who deserve to be respected

womanizer

connoisseurone who has good taste in food, wine,…

A WORLD GUIDE TO GOOD MANNER

to exceedto go over or beyond

increaseto grow in sizedecrease

guidebooka traveller needs it

etiquette (n.)code of behaviour

to behave (v.)behaviour (n.)

to assume (v.)assumption (n.)

customary (adj.)usual

customs (plural n.)money paid to the government when you take particular goods from one country to another

foreigner (n.)foreign (adj.)

seldom (adv.)almost neverrarelysometimesoften (stopnjevanje!)

executivesomeone who holds an important possition in a company

solethe bottom of your shoes

seniorseniority

essential (adj.)very imporatnat=vital

to bowto bend forward

to have a stiff upper lipsmb who does not show his feelings when he is upset

SIGNS

to browseto look for

despite=inspite of

admission­it is free or charged

s seat belt (also safety belt)a belt which fastens around someone who is travelling

FILLING IN A FORM

to fill in a form

marital (adj.)to marry (v.)

annual (adj.)=yearly

to apply (v.)applicable (adj.)application (n.)an applicant (a person)

income (n.)the amount of money you get yearly

temporarypermanent

to resideto live

a resident (n.)resedential (adj.)

to own (v.)an owner (a person)

self employedyou are your own boss

to work part/full time

accuratecorrect and without mistakesinaccurate

WHERE DO WE BUY THINGS

news standwe buy magazines here

an off-licencewhere you buy alcoholic drinks

butcherswhere you buy a joint of beef

a hardware shopwhere you buy tehnical equipments

stationerwhere you buy office equipments (envelopes, writing equipments)

A WEATHER FORECAST

geographical features (characteristics)

climate

backbone=spine (hrbtenica)

drier-sunnier

wetter-rainy

arable=suitable for growing crops

densily populated=heavily populated

dense (adj.)

thick

dense fog

stupid (informal)

famed forrenowned (elebrated, famous for)

vast (adj.)very large in area, size, quantity, degree

mining (n.)a process of getting coal, precious stones

mist (n.)cloud of minute drops of water, just above the ground; less thick than fog

chillyrather cold; unpleasantly cold

foggyfoggierthe foggiest

hazyunclear

humidhot and damp (slightly wet)

drizzlelight rain

hailstorma sudden heavy fall of hail (small hard balls of ice)-toča

downpour (n.)heavy rain

flood (n.)a large amount of water that covers an area that is usually dryflooded (adj.)-poplava

droughtno rain for a long time

breeze (n.)light wind

breezewindgalehurricane

overcastcloudy

TRAVELLING

no vacancyno available room

youth hostel

a fortnighta period of two weeks

an accommodation

WORD OF THE DAY

to snigger (v.)to laugh quitly and often unkindly at sth which is not ment to be funny

aghast (adj.)to be shocked by horror, frighetened to outnumber the disadvantages of watching TV

semblance (n.)appearance of being sth; likeness to sth

*Bring the meeting to some sembiance of order*

eloquent (adj.)talkative, communicative

*A person who is eloquent is good at speaking and able to persuade people*

coy (adj.)shy, bashful, demure

reckless (adj.)rash, not thinking of the consequences

insipid (adj.)dull or tasteless

*I'm done watching this insipid television program.*

innate (adj.)inborn, natural

panacheconfident, stylish manner

*She talks with grat panache.*

to boast (v.)to talk about one's own achievements abilities with too much prideto show off

feisty (adj.)being frisky and exuberant, smd who is very opiniated, energetic

beneathunder, below

Ex.:The Citizen is beneath the president.

bold (adj.)confident and brave of without feelings of shame

Ex.:I don't feel bold enough to do it.

penitence (n.)sorrow and regretpenitent (adj.)

ex.:He expressed suitable penitence for what he had done.

to pelt (v.)to attack sb by throughing things at them

ex.:The children pelted hum with snowballs.

to muffle (v.)to wrap or envelop un a cloth; esp. it keep warm; to deaten or prevent sound; to muffle drums

ex.:muffle up the children before they go out

gossip (n., v.)to talk about the affairs of other people

slamming /informal/ (adj.)very attractive, amazing cool

inevitable (adj.)if sth is inevitable bound to happen (it is certain to happen)

ex.:If this policy continous his violence is inevitable.

high (n.)a state of enphorm or high spirits

ham-fisted (adj.)Lacking skill when using hands or when dealing with people

ex.:He can't tie a knot that rope-he's too ham-fisted

vague (adj.)not clear, not distinct

ex.:This painting has vague lines.