

1. British cuisine has a poor reputation. To what extent do you agree with this opinion?
2. Winston Churchill is often regarded as the most famous person in British history. Do you agree? If not, who would be your choice?
3. The Statue of Liberty is one of the best-known American landmarks. What would be your choice as the most characteristic US structure?
4. The United States of America is a place where one can go from “rags to riches”. How do you understand the phrase and to what extent do you agree with it?
5. William Shakespeare is said to be the most renowned English playwright. In your opinion, who is the greatest writer in British history? Justify your opinion.
6. The Beatles are probably the greatest and most well-known British rock band. In your opinion, who is the greatest British musician of all time? Justify your opinion
7. What makes a president great? Which US president do you consider the greatest. Justify your opinion.
8. What makes a monarch great? Which English/British monarch do you consider the greatest? Justify your opinion.
9. There are many in favour of British Royal family, but there are also those who think that monarchy is a relic of the past. What are the arguments and what is your opinion?
10. Please name and briefly discuss some of the most significant American values and beliefs.
11. Is American culture a ‘melting pot’ or a ‘salad bowl’? Justify your opinion.
12. English language is considered to be a lingua franca. Why is it so widespread and powerful? Discuss.
13. If you were to move to the United Kingdom, which city or region would you choose as your homeland?
14. If you were to move to the United States of America, which city or region would you choose as your homeland?
15. What impact did British imperialism have on the colonized countries?
16. Many claim that a bad day in London is better than a good day anywhere else. What makes the capital of England a unique place?
17. What role have sports played in shaping the American identity? Justify your opinion.
18. Is the American culture the dominating one in the global world of today? Discuss.