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From “HEADWAY CULTURE” - Oxford:

***PUB CULTURE***

The public house or ‘pub’ is culturally unique to the UK and other British-influenced countries. There are over 60,000 pubs in the UK and they are an important part of British life. Going to the pub is the most popular leisure activity outside the home in Britain. People meet, drink, talk, eat, and relax there.

The pub has a long history in the UK, dating back to Roman England when tired travelers used to stop to buy food and drink on long journeys. As travel and pilgrimages became more popular during the Middle Ages the demand for pubs grew. In 1393, King Richard II said that all landlords must put signs outside their pubs. As most people were illiterate, the signs contained pictures to illustrate the name of the pub. One of the oldest pubs sill open today is The Fighting Cocks in St. Albans. It dates back to the 11th century.

Pubs serve alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks. You must be over 18 to drink alcohol in the UK but you can have a soft drink in a pub from the age of 18. Children are allowed into pubs which sell food. A popular kind of British beer is called bitter, which is served at room temperature. More popular today is lager, which is lighter in colour and served cold. Cider is also popular, especially in the west of England. You must go to the bar to order drinks; there is no table service.

Most pubs also sell food and snacks. One traditional pub meal is called a ‘Ploughman’s lunch’. This is a plate of cheese, bread, onion, pickle, and salad. Other traditional pub food includes scampi, chicken and chips, and toasted sandwiches. However, many pubs now offer more upmarket menus serving gourmet food.

Traditional pub games include darts, billiards, pool, dominoes, slot machines, and even skittles. Many pubs also organize weekly quizzes, karaoke, and coverage of big sporting events…. Some of them have live music and concerts too.

Pubs used to shut at 11 p.m. during the week and 10.30 p.m. on Sundays. However, thanks to a new law, they can now stay open for longer. Some of them are even open 24-hours a day!

**Ex. A) Match the given words with the following definitions:**

**ILLITERATE – SOFT DRINK – GOURMET FOOD – LANDLORDS – CIDER – PICKLE**

1. the person who owns or runs a pub

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1. unable to read or write

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1. non-alcoholic

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1. a drink made from apples

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1. vegetables preserved in vinegar

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1. high quality

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**Ex. B) Answer the following questions:**

1. What is the word ‘pub’ short for?
2. When did pub first appear in England?
3. How did pub signs originate?
4. What sort of food can you eat in a pub?
5. What is the difference between beer and lager?
6. What activities can you do in a pub?
7. What time did pubs used to shut in the past?

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**Ex. 3 – Design your own pub sign. Choose symbols or images that are important to you. Give reasons for your choice, writing a sentence below your sign.**