

# THE MOST CRAZY GAME

*Many cakes for you*

ENGLISH



# Marathon miles

Philipides was an Ancient Greek hero who ran the distance between Marathon and Athens to announce the victory in a battle. This feat is remembered since the first Olympic Games with the marathon race. In 1908 the games were in London and the Queen decided to increase the path from 40km to 42km and 195m, to start in Windsor Palace. Now, it is the official distance. Women couldn't run an Olympic marathon until it was allowed in 1984. Running in the United Kingdom has a problem, the distances are measured differently. 1 mile equals to more than one kilometer and half (1,6km).

- More or less ¿how much miles has the London marathon?
- Organize a slowmotion race with 5 yards and 1 foot of distance.

# God Save The Queen

The UK national anthem is very famous, it is named God Save The Queen, when a woman rules, or God Save The King, when a male reigns. A very popular song is the version by the London punk band Sex Pistols, that makes fun of monarchy. In their anthem, they pronounce the word "save" like "shave" and the song was censored and forbidden to play in the UK territory. So, they continued the joke whised the Queen's birthday from the inside of a boat in Thames river.

- Write the lyrics to the God Save The Queen music, it is not mandatory offending the Queen. However, if you do, it would be better singing it when you were in the river.

# ¿What time is it Willy Fog?

Until train and telegraph came, the time was something relative ruled by the Sun. In the United Kingdom the punctuality is very important, and a very in time person was Phileas Fogg (or Willy Fogg like was called in an animated adaptation), that is the main character in *Around the World in Eighty Days*, writted by Julius Verne.

- When returns, Fogg belives that he lost his bet. ¿Do you remember the reason?
- UK has 1 hour less than the Iberian peninsula, they follow GMT time (Greenwich Mean Time) of the meridian. Look at your watch and calculate the time in these places: Oviedo (GMT+1), Lanzarote (GMT), Nueva York (GMT-4), Hvar (GMT), San Francisco (GMT-7), India (GMT+5:30) and Argentina (GMT-3).
- The most of the countries, each spring and autumm, change the time. Other countries like Argentina don't have a summer time. ¿What time it will be if now was winter in the UK? ¿And in Argentina? ¿In which season are now in Argentina?

# Theaters

London is riddled of theaters that represent plays, musicals and concerts. A lot of great theater plays were performed for the first time here and some of them are performance hundred times during several consecutive years like *The Fantasticks*.

- Write a little theater play and performace it. You can write a play like a team.



# Speaker's Corner

Speakers' Corner is a place where speeches are allowed. The corner is placed at Hyde Park. People can speak if the police consider that the words don't break the law. Actually, the police is quite tolerant and they only interrupt if they have complaints or if offensive words are used. Karl Marx or George Orwell spoke in this place of freedom.

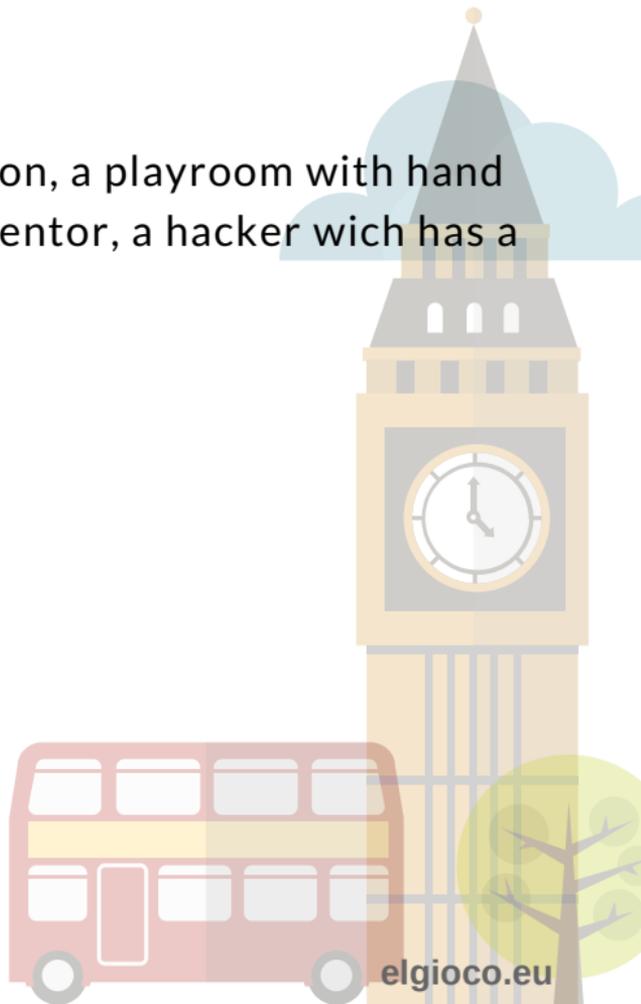
- Speak one minute in public with a matter of your worry. You can do it at Speakers' Corner.



# *Crazy machines*

In a London alley is Novelty Automation, a playroom with hand made machines. Tim Hunkin is the inventor, a hacker wich has a wonderful sense of humor.

- Desing and build a crazy machine.



# Virginia Woolf

Virginia Woolf was a very important writer who had depression problems, despite of that she had a high perseverance with writing and with women's emancipation defense. Besides, it is assumed she had a high sense of humor because she took part in the Dreadnought hoax: she disguised herself as Abyssinian (with a dark makeup) and with the other Bloomsbury Group visited the HMS like they were an Abyssinian royal family representation and they using invented and funny words like "bunga, bunga".

- Dress up yourself like a burguess English family and organize a tea hour using very polite english words.

# Kew gardens

Kew gardens is the elder botanical garden, a top botanical research center and one of the most important world's seeds bank.

Search there, draw and write the name of:

- A carnivorous plant.
- A plant that there is only one specimen known in the world.
- A flower that smells bad.
- A water lily.



# Blindly

In London, there are all kind of restaurants. There is one where you can eat blindly, it has a french name Dans Le Noir (in the darkness). You cannot see what you eat and the waiters and the waitresses are blind.

- ¿Is it so useful the sense of view for eating ? ¿What dificultes you would have if you loose some of your senses?

- For a moment, you can imagine eating there. Try with one of your meals today and put a blindfold over your eyes.



# *The Rosetta stone*

The Rosetta stone is a very old text written repeatedly in three forms. It is printed over a big stone and one of their writings are Egyptian hieroglyphics. With the Rosetta stone it was possible to understand better Egyptian hieroglyphics. This is the most visited piece of the Britain Museum and they have a copy that is possible to touch.

- Invent an alphabet with strange symbols and write a secret message with it.

