

Mud!!!

Vocabulary Note

There are lots of English idioms and expressions in this week's podcast. Here are some of them.

to try on a jumper - you go into a clothes shop, and see a jumper which you like. But is it the right size? Will it fit you? You put the jumper on to see if it fits and to see if it looks good on you. You **try the jumper on**.

browse in a bookshop - you go into a bookshop. You find a book that looks very interesting. You open it and start reading. Then you put it back and read a bit of another book, and then another book. You are **browsing in a bookshop**. (Lots of people browse in bookshops in England. It is something to do when it rains).

New Age Ecology and Geomancy - I have no idea what these are. They are probably something to do with fairies. If you want to find out, go to a bookshop in Glastonbury.

if you believe in fairies - if you believe that fairies are real, that they really exist.

gatecrasher - someone who goes to a party where they have not been invited, or to a concert or festival without buying a ticket.

turned to a sea of mud - the fields became muddy, everywhere.

festival goers - people who go to the festival. We can talk about "concert goers", meaning people going to a concert, and "church goers" and "theatre goers" and "party goers". If I say, "I am a frequent cinema goer", it means that I go to the cinema often.

we might as well enjoy it – the best thing for us to do is to enjoy it (i.e. enjoy the mud)

I am betting on the mud - if I had to bet some money on whether there would be lots of mud, or whether the new drains would succeed in keeping the mud away, I would definitely bet that the mud would win.



These people are standing in the mud at Glastonbury in 2005. They are wearing wellington boots, or “wellies” as we often call them. Wellington boots were invented by the Duke of Wellington, the famous English general who defeated Napoleon at the battle of Waterloo. Wellington boots are one of the things that make Britain great.

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