





20th Century Entertainment







The 20th Century was a time when life in Britain changed enormously. Huge advances were made in entertainment, fashion, music and sport.

Key Knowledge

The Movies

At the beginning of the 20th century, films were silent. Actors like Charlie Chaplin became big stars. Often, a pianist would sit in the movie theatre and play the music that he thought was fitting for the story. So the music was live!

The first 'talkie' was made in 1927. It was called The Jazz Singer. A 'talkie' was the name for a film with sound included. It was the first time audiences could hear actors speak! Most films were still black and white, but this changed in the 1930s when colour films began to be made.

The Beautiful Game: Football

During World War I many soldiers played football whilst away. The first World Cup was held in Uruguay in 1930. 13 teams played. The World Cup stopped for 12 years because of WWII. It re-started again in 1950. By 1998, the number of teams competing was expanded to 32. 1966: This world cup was held in England. The final was held at Wembley Stadium and was broadcast in black and white. 98,000 people attended the final match between England and Germany. The score was 2-2 at the end of 90 minutes, so it was extended into extra time. England beat Germany 4-2. Geoff Hurst had scored 3 of the 4 England goals. He became the first man ever to score a hat trick in a World Cup match.

Fashion and Music in the 60's:

<u>In the early 60's</u> - Men became interested in fashion too. London was the centre of fashion - Quant's Bazaar and Biba in Carnaby Street. New materials were used: latex, Melinex, and PVC. Musicians influenced how people dressed. At the beginning of the 60's, women wore bouffant dresses, their hair in a beehive or they wore pill box hats. Mary Quant designed mini-skirts, coloured tights and vinyl clothes. Pierre Cardin designed suits for the Beetles. Mini skirts got shorter. <u>In the middle of the 60's</u>, came the Edwardian look - crushed velvet, striped patterns, frilly shirts, long hair for men, psychedelic colours, fake eyelashes and pink lipstick. Women wore gogo boots and bell bottomed trousers.

<u>In the late 60's</u> – came the hippy look – long hair, tie-dyed shirts, headbands, beads and long skirts. It was the Rock and Roll years with The Rolling Stones and The Beetles with the rise of record shops and juke boxes. It was the age of Mods and Rockers, Hippies and Skinheads, Elvis Presley, Cliff Richard, The Beach Boys, The Monkeys and Jimi Hendrix.

Seaside Holidays

Butlin's camps were opened across the UK in Clacton, Skegness, Ayr, Barry, Bognor Regis, Filey, Minehead, Mosney and Pwllheli. Butlin's pioneered the idea of the all-inclusive fee and the camps provided all that a family could want from shopping arcades, fairgrounds, railways, theatres and ballrooms to an incredible range of sporting and entertainment facilities hosted by the famous 'redcoats'. "Hi-de-Hi campers!"

Children's TV

1946 Muffin the Mule, 1950 Andy Pandy, 1952 Sooty, Bill and Ben the Flowerpot Men, 1953 Watch with Mother, 1955 The Woodentops, Crackerjack, 1957 Pinky and Perky, Captain Pugwash, 1958 Blue Peter, 1964 Play School, 1965 Jackanory, 1966 Camberwick Green, 1967 Trumpton, 1972 Newsround, 1975 Tiswas, 1976 The multi-coloured swap shop, 1978 Grange Hill, 1981 Postman Pat.

	Key Vocabular	Y					
Andy Warhol	An American artist, film director, and producer who was a leading figure in the visual art movement known as pop art.	Jacqueline Kennedy	First Lady of the United States during the presidency of John F. Kennedy and was regarded then and afterward as an international icon of style and culture.				
beehive	A hairstyle in which long hair is piled up in a conical shape on the top of the head and slightly backwards pointing, giving some resemblance to the shape of a traditional beehive.	Mary Quant	An English fashion designer and fashion icon.				
Bell bottomed trousers	A style of trousers that become wider from the knees downward, forming a bell-like shape of the trouser leg.	Mini-skirts	A very short skirt.				
bouffant	A type of hairstyle characterized by hair raised high on the head and usually covering the ears or hanging down on the sides.	Mods and Rockers	Two conflicting British youth subcultures of the early/mid 1960s to early 1970s. Media coverage of mods and rockers fighting in 1964 sparked a moral panic about British youth, and the two groups became widely perceived as violent, unruly troublemakers.				
Cassette player and recorder	A portable cassette player that changed listening habits by allowing people to listen to music of their choice on the move.	record	A flat disc with an inscribed, modulated spiral groove. The groove usually starts near the periphery and ends near the center of the disc. Used to play music.				
Charlie Chaplin	An English comic actor, filmmaker, and composer who rose to fame in the era of silent film.	Rock and Roll	A genre of popular music that originated and evolved in the United States during the late 1940s and early 1950s from musical styles such as gospel, jump blues, jazz, boogie woogie, and rhythm and blues, and country music.				
Cuban heels	A relatively low-style of high heel shoes, characterised by a slightly tapered back and a straight front.	Skinheads	A member of a subculture originated among working class youths in London, England, in the 1960s and soon spread to other parts of the United Kingdom.				
FA	The governing body of association football in England.	talkie	A film with sound.				
gogo boots	A low-heeled style of women's fashion boot first introduced in the mid-1960s.	tie-dyed	A method of dyeing textiles to produce patterns by tying sections of the cloth together so that they will not absorb the dye.				
Hippies	A member of the counterculture of the 1960s.	World Cup	An international association football competition.				
juke boxes	A partially automated music-playing device, usually a coin-operated machine, that will play a selection from self-contained media.		. AF 6 . S . S . P				

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