**IRISH CLASS March 14-20, 2024**

* **Who is the Patron Saint of Ireland?**

[Saint Patrick's Day song - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-TUpakGDvlM)

* **What is the Irish national plant?**
* **What is the Irish national musical instrument?**
* **Who/what is a leprechaun?**



* **Listen to an Irish song.** [Paddy O'Connor & Friends - White, Orange & Green (Tabhair Dom Do Lahm) - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jdblgoXNiL8) **Listen out for the**

1. **Age of protagonist**
2. **The expression for “flag“**
3. **The 3 colours on the Irish flag**
4. **The profession and nationality of intruder**
5. **The expression for “a motor vehicle“**
6. **The girl’s threat were the flag taken away from her**

* **Another song: listen out for the food chain’s name and for what the man forgot to buy**

[The Lidl Song - Andy Conway - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jxl8P1fNT9Y)

* **A prank call = Becky commissions her school demolished** [IRISH GIRL WANTS A DAY OFF SCHOOL - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3fT-jX11poU)
* **A prank call = Paternity issue**

[IRISH AND INDIAN ELVIS DURAN PHONE TAP BY DAVID BRODY (ME)! - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0fwrbxpO0Ng)

* **Two countries‘ joint historical experience**

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[Famine - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jj8BDWmGQmY)

A song by Sinéad O’Connor

OK, I want to talk about Ireland  
Specifically I want to talk about the "famine"  
About the fact that there never really was one  
There was no "famine"  
See Irish people were only allowed to eat potatoes  
All of the other food  
Meat fish vegetables  
Were shipped out of the country under armed guard  
To England while the Irish people starved  
And then in the middle of all this  
They gave us money not to teach our children Irish  
And so we lost our history  
And this is what I think is still hurting me  
  
See we're like a child that's been battered  
Has to drive itself out of its head because it's frightened  
Still feels all the painful feelings  
But they lose contact with the memory  
  
And this leads to massive self-destruction  
alcoholism, drug addiction  
All desperate attempts at running  
And in its worst form  
Becomes actual killing  
  
And if there ever is gonna be healing  
There has to be remembering  
And then grieving  
So that there then can be forgiving  
There has to be knowledge and understanding  
  
All the lonely people  
where do they all come from  
  
An American army regulation  
Says you mustn't kill more than 10% of a nation  
'Cos to do so causes permanent "psychological damage"  
It's not permanent but they didn't know that  
Anyway during the supposed "famine"  
We lost a lot more than 10% of our nation  
Through deaths on land or on ships of emigration  
But what finally broke us was not starvation  
but its use in the controlling of our education  
Schools go on about "Black 47"  
On and on about "The terrible famine"  
But what they don't say is in truth  
There really never was one  
  
(Excuse me)  
All the lonely people  
(I'm sorry, excuse me)  
Where do they all come from  
(that I can tell you in one word)  
All the lonely people  
where do they all belong  
  
So let's take a look shall we  
The highest statistics of child abuse in the EEC  
And we say we're a Christian country  
But we've lost contact with our history  
See we used to worship God as a mother  
We're suffering from post traumatic stress disorder  
Look at all our old men in the pubs  
Look at all our young people on drugs  
We used to worship God as a mother  
Now look at what we're doing to each other  
We've even made killers of ourselves  
The most child-like trusting people in the Universe  
And this is what's wrong with us  
Our history books the parent figures lied to us  
  
I see the Irish  
As a race like a child  
That got itself bashed in the face  
  
And if there ever is gonna be healing  
There has to be remembering  
And then grieving  
So that there then can be forgiving  
There has to be knowledge and understanding  
  
All the lonely people  
Where do they all come from  
All the lonely people  
Where do they all come from  
We stand on the brink of a great achievement  
In this Ireland there is no solution  
to be found to our disagreements  
by shooting each other  
There is no real invader here  
We are all Irish in all our  
different kinds of ways  
We must not, now or ever in the future,  
show anything to each other  
except tolerance, forbearance  
and neighbourly love  
because of our tradition everyone here  
knows who he is and what God expects him to do.

Irish accent: rhotic, dark r’s, clear l’s,

t-opening, th-stopping,

/ɒ/ becomes /ʌ/ and vice versa.



