

REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS ARE...

LIVING IN BRITAIN

REFLECTIONS BY YOUNG PEOPLE ON LIFE IN WESTMINSTER



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**THE
CARTOON
MUSEUM**





IN MAY AND JUNE 2023 THE CARTOON MUSEUM WORKED WITH THE CHARITY UNFOLD TO GIVE YOUNG REFUGEES THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THEIR THOUGHTS AND FEELINGS IN PICTURES AND WORDS ABOUT THEIR NEW HOME IN WESTMINSTER. THEY WERE ASKED TO CONSIDER WHAT IS DIFFERENT, WHAT IS DIFFICULT, AND WHAT THEY LIKE OR DISLIKE.

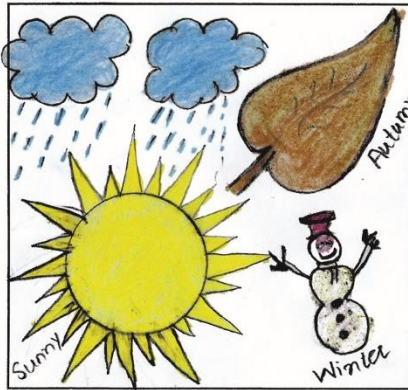
CARTOON MUSEUM TUTOR STEVE MARCHANT WAS ON HAND TO OFFER ASSISTANCE WITH BRINGING THEIR IDEAS TO THE PAGE, AND TURNING THOSE PAGES INTO PRINTED BOOKLETS.

THE PROJECT WAS FUNDED BY A GENEROUS GRANT FROM WESTMINSTER'S BRIGHTER FUTURES FUND.



MY NAME IS SEEMA. I AM FROM AFGHANISTAN AND I'M INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ACCOUNTANT.

IN MY FREE TIME I ENJOY GOING TO THE BEACH.



I WAS USED TO THE FOOD BACK HOME SO IT'S QUITE DIFFICULT TO GET USED TO THE FOOD IN BRITAIN.



THE WEATHER HERE IS UNPREDICTABLE AND IT'S COMMON TO EXPERIENCE FOUR SEASONS IN ONE DAY.



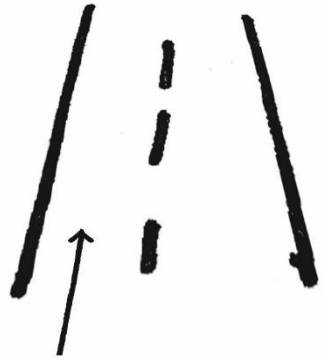
THE THING I LIKE MOST ABOUT BRITAIN IS EDUCATION. I REALLY ENJOY STUDYING HERE, AND FIND THE COURSE WORK TO BE CHALLENGING AND INTERESTING.



MY NAME IS ROY.
I AM 13 YEARS OLD
AND I LIVED ALL MY
LIFE IN QATAR.

WHEN I GROW UP
I WOULD LIKE TO
BE AN ATHLETE.

THE FIRST THING I NOTICED
THAT WAS DIFFERENT ABOUT
BRITAIN WAS THAT PEOPLE
DRIVE ON THE LEFT SIDE,
NOT THE RIGHT SIDE.



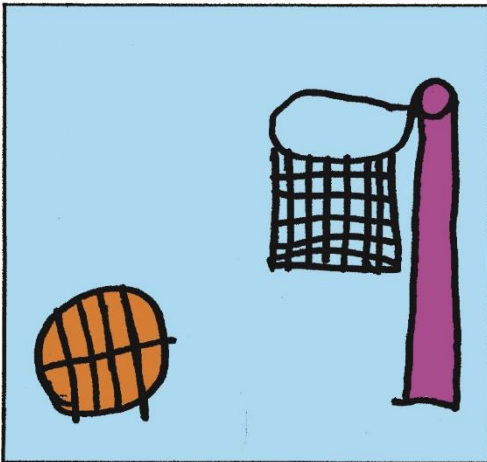
THE WEATHER HERE
IS CRAZY BUT I
REALLY LIKE FOOTBALL.



MY NAME IS URIM
AND MY TEACHER
IS SO BORING.

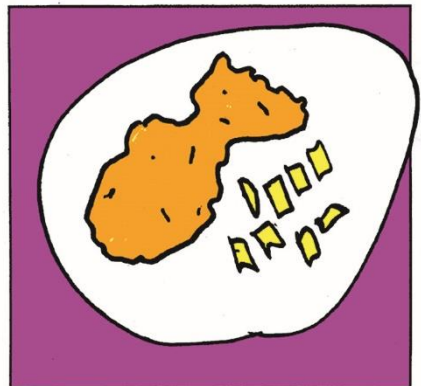


LIVING HERE IT'S
DIFFICULT TO FIND
MY WAY AROUND.



BUT I LIKE PLAYING
BASKETBALL,
FOOTBALL AND
TENNIS

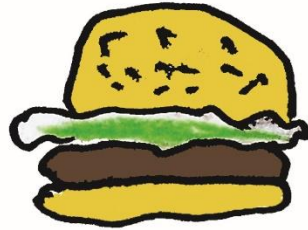
AND
I LIKE
BRITISH
FOOD!





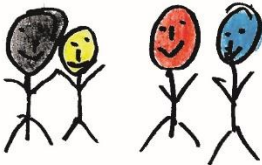
I AM SAIF.
I AM FROM
BANGLADESH.

I AM NOT A FAN
OF VEGGIES.

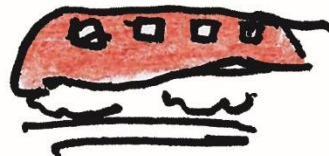


I LIKE FAST CARS!

THE THINGS I LIKE MOST ABOUT BRITAIN ARE



DIVERSITY

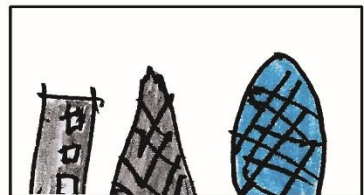


TRANSPORT



THE
MONARCHY

AND ARCHITECTURE



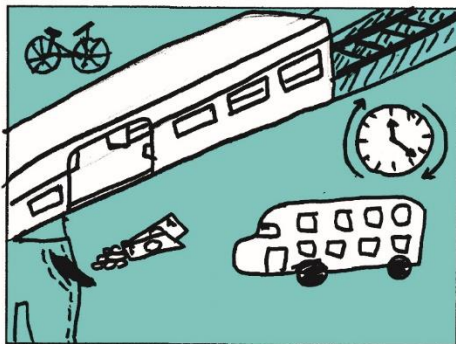


MY NAME IS BELLA
AND I'M 18 YEARS OLD.

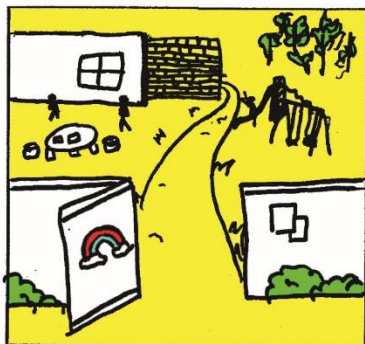
ALTHOUGH I STILL
LOVE CARTOONS.



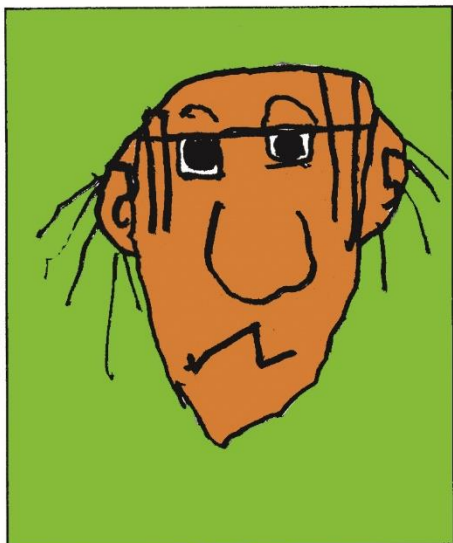
THE FIRST THING I
NOTICED THAT WAS
DIFFERENT IN
BRITAIN WAS THAT
EVERYWHERE I WENT
I HEARD A DIFFERENT
LANGUAGE.



SOMETHING I FIND
DIFFICULT IS THAT
TRANSPORT HERE IS SO
TIME CONSUMING AND
COSTS A FORTUNE.



THE NURSERIES IN LONDON
ARE LOVELY THE WAY THEY
ALLOW THE YOUTH TO PLAY
AND LEARN AND TEACH
THEM THE WAY OF LIFE.

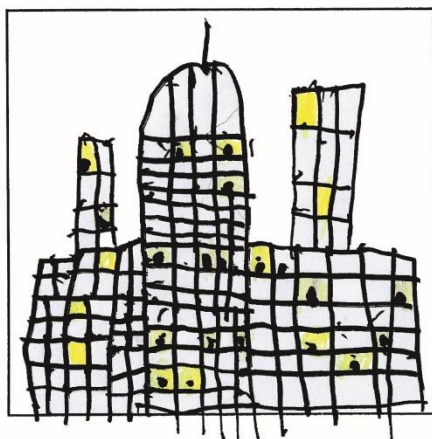


I AM DAVID A.
HERE ARE SIX FACTS
ABOUT MYSELF.

1. SMART
2. PLAYS BASKETBALL
3. WEARS GLASSES
4. TALL
5. MAN. UNITED FAN
6. MASSIVE HANDS

THE THINGS I FIRST
NOTICED ABOUT BRITAIN
WERE ALL THE HOUSES
AND HOTELS, CITY LIFE.
AND THAT IT'S WAY TOO

COLD



THE THINGS I LIKE
MOST ABOUT BRITAIN
ARE BASKETBALL AND
FOOTBALL.



MY NAME IS DAVIDA
AND I AM 12 AND LIVE
AROUND PADDINGTON.

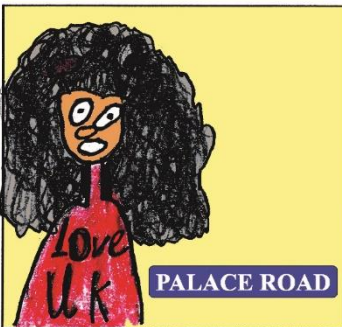
I LOVE GOING TO
McDONALD'S AND
I LOVE BASKETBALL.



THE FIRST THINGS I NOTICED
ABOUT BRITAIN WAS THAT
THE HOUSES ARE SMALL,
AND PEOPLE ARE VERY SHORT
AND DIVERSE.

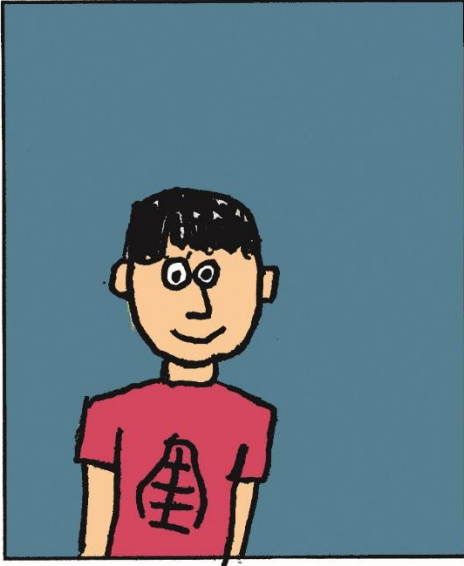


THINGS I FIND DIFFICULT
HERE ARE OVER-
POPULATION,
DIFFERENT LANGUAGES,
SMALL SIDEWALKS, AND
IT IS COLD.



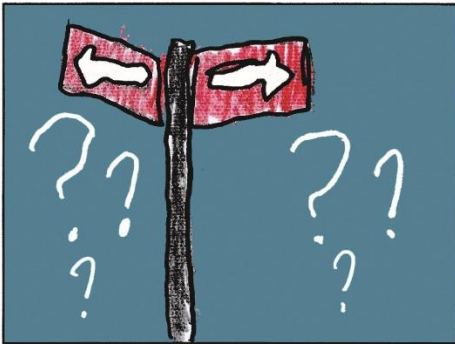
THINGS I LIKE ABOUT LONDON
ARE THE FAMOUS LANDMARKS,
THE BUSES, AND THE FOOD.

PALACE ROAD



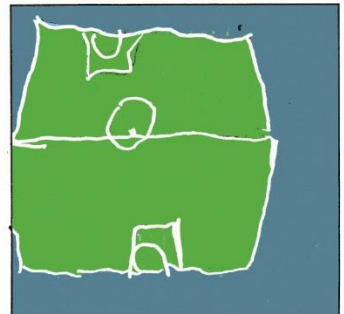
MY NAME IS LAHOR.
I LIKE PLAYING ROBLOX
AND GRAND THEFT AUTO
ON MY PLAYSTATION.

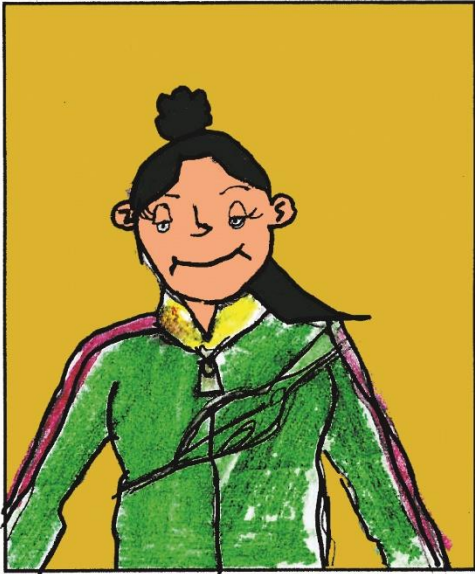
THE FIRST THING I NOTICED
THAT WAS DIFFERENT IN
BRITAIN WAS THE WEATHER
AND THE BUILDINGS.



IN BRITAIN IT'S
DIFFICULT TO FIND OUT
WHERE YOU ARE GOING.

THE THING I LIKE THE
MOST ABOUT BEING
HERE IS FOOTBALL!





MY FAVOURITE COLOURS
ARE RED AND GREEN.

THE WEATHER HERE IS
ALWAYS COLD AND THE
HOMES ARE SO EXPENSIVE.



SO THIS IS ME, HELMA,
AND MY FAVOURITE
SPORT IS BASKETBALL.

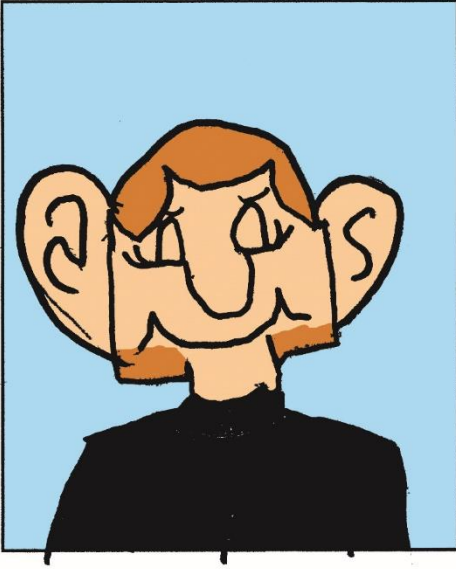


I AM FROM IRAN AND
I AM 13 YEARS OLD.

DO I LIKE BRITISH
FOOD? IF IT'S FISH
AND CHIPS THE
ANSWER IS YES!



YOU CAN HELP YOUR FAMILY BY WORKING HARD
AND TRYING TO BE GOOD!

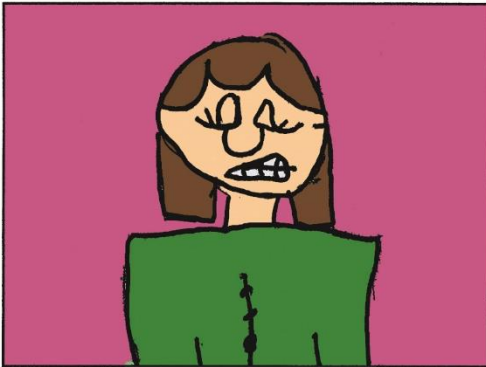
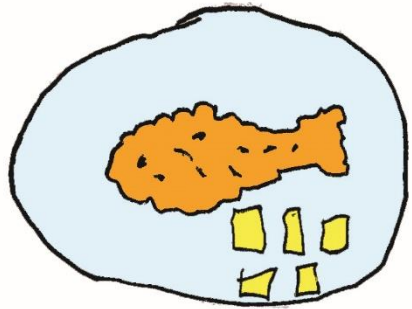


MY NAME IS AREN.
I AM 14 YEARS OLD.

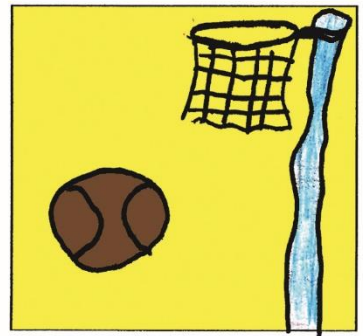
MY FAVOURITE
COLOUR IS BLACK.

I HAVE TWO SISTERS
AND ONE BROTHER.

THE FIRST THING I
NOTICED THAT WAS
DIFFERENT IN BRITAIN
WAS THE FOOD.
I LOVE FISH AND CHIPS.



SCHOOL CAN BE
DIFFICULT BECAUSE
MY TEACHER IS SO
BORING.



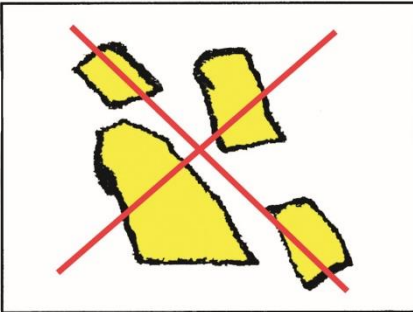
BUT I LIKE TO PLAY
BASKETBALL.



I AM MOHAMMED.
I LIKE TO PLAY FIFA
AND ROBLOX.



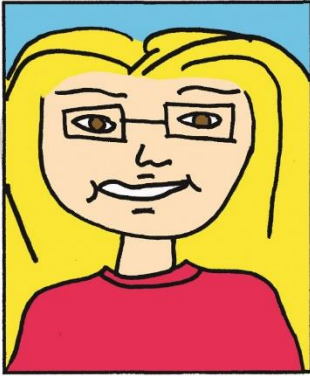
WHAT'S DIFFERENT
ABOUT BRITAIN IS IT
RAINS ALL THE TIME.



I DON'T LIKE CHIPS...

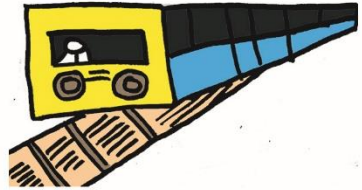


I LIKE PIZZA!



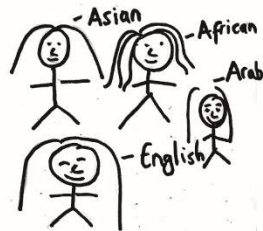
MY NAME IS E.
I CAME TO ENGLAND ABOUT
A YEAR AGO.

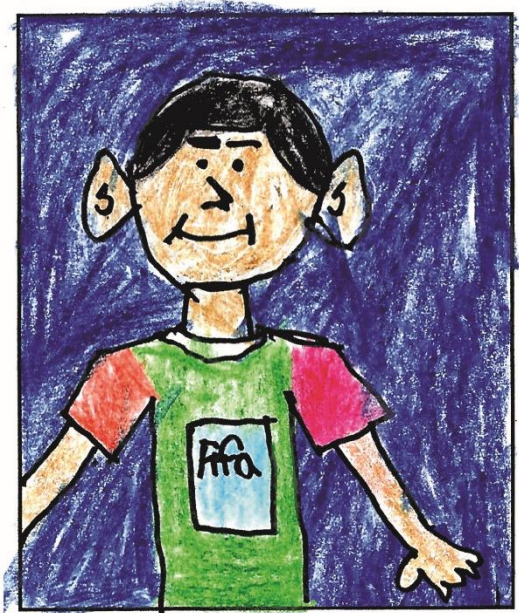
THE FIRST THING I NOTICED
THAT WAS DIFFERENT WAS
THE TRANSPORT SYSTEM
WHICH WAS FASTER AND NICE.



SOMETHING I FIND
DIFFICULT HERE IS
THE WAITING TIME
TO ACCESS THE
HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
UNLESS IT'S
AN EMERGENCY.

THE THING I LIKE THE MOST
IS THE DIVERSITY OF
CULTURES, YOU GET TO
MEET PEOPLE OF VARIOUS
NATIONALITIES.

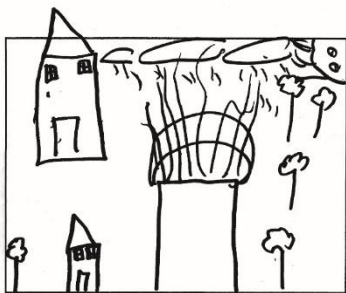




MY NAME IS SIAM
AND MY HOBBY IS
FOOTBALL.

IN MY IPAD I HAVE
FIFA AND ROBLOX.

WHEN I CAME TO BRITAIN
I NOTICED IT WAS NEVER
HOT LIKE IT WAS AT HOME.



THE ONLY THING I FIND
DIFFICULT IS DRAWING
HOUSES!



I'M GLADIS. I LIKE
LISTENING TO MUSIC,
WATCHING ANIME, AND
READING WEBTOONS.

I ALSO LIKE
EVERYTHING THAT
IS PINK.

THE FIRST THING I NOTICED
THAT WAS DIFFERENT IN
BRITAIN WAS THE CITY.



SOMETIMES I FEEL LONELY.
IF THIS HAPPENS TO YOU,
TRY LISTENING TO YOUR
FAVOURITE MUSIC.



THE THING I LIKE
MOST ABOUT
BRITAIN IS THE
PARKS.

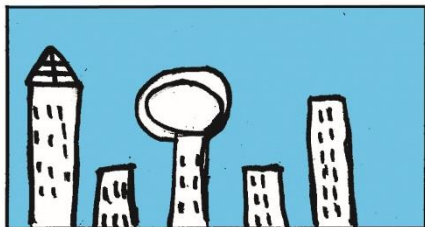




MY NAME IS NAIMA
AND MY FAVOURITE
SPORT IS FOOTBALL.
I AM 13 YEARS OLD.

THE FIRST THING I
NOTICED THAT WAS
DIFFERENT ABOUT
BRITAIN WAS THE
CITY.

IT LOOKS SO NICE.



SOMETHING I FIND
DIFFICULT IS THAT
IT'S A BIT COLD.

SOME PEOPLE ARE
NICE AND SOME
ARE NOT.

I LIKE THE FOOD HERE.
MY FAVOURITE IS KFC.





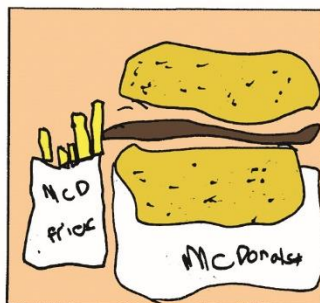
MY NAME IS ROMANDY.
I'M 23 YEARS OLD,
ORIGINALLY FROM
NAMIBIA. I MOVED TO
THE UK IN 2022. I'M A
LOVELY TALKATIVE GIRL
AND I LOVE PEOPLE.

SOMETHING I FIND DIFFICULT HERE IS WINTER.
WHEN IT'S REALLY COLD I DON'T REALLY ADAPT
FAST, I FIND IT A LITTLE DIFFICULT.



IF IT'S REALLY COLD
AND SNOWY I DON'T
ATTEND ALL MY
ACTIVITIES AND STAY
INDOORS THE WHOLE
DAY.

THE THING I LIKE THE MOST
ABOUT BRITAIN IS THE FOOD.
I LOVE EATING MCDONALDS
WHENEVER I'M HUNGRY.
BACK IN MY COUNTRY I USED
TO EAT A LOT OF STREET
FOOD.





MY NAME IS RICKII. I'M FROM NAMIBIA, AND I LOVE DRAWING AND LISTENING TO MUSIC.

THE FIRST THING I NOTICED IN BRITAIN WAS BIG BEN AND THE LONDON EYE.

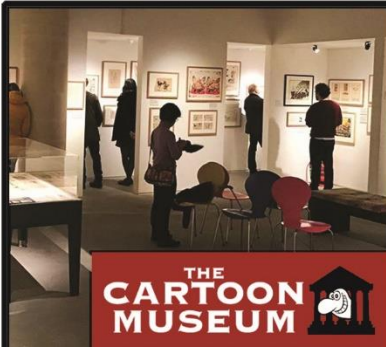


THE WEATHER IS DIFFERENT...

...WINTER IS HARSH.



THE THINGS I LOVE ABOUT BRITAIN ARE THE FOOD AND WINE, AND THE PARKS.



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The Cartoon Museum displays original cartoon art from newspapers, books, comics, and magazines. It also runs workshops for schools and local groups, and an award-winning programme for neurodiverse children and their families.

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