

Young times

Identity parade

As part of the Portrait of a Nation project, 3,000 young people have spent the year debating what it means to be a young person in Britain. They are gathering in Liverpool tonight, and here is what some of them have to say...



Josie Kelly, 11, Manchester

"Manchester often gets a bad press, but it's a brilliant place and I want to share what's good about it. More people should listen to us young people. Someone of our generation will be the next prime minister."

Dil Lewington, 17, Liverpool

"It's the people of Liverpool that make it what it is. There is an attitude that comes from being born and bred here, and while certain aspects of the city aren't so great, I'm proud to be Scouse!"



Venus McDowell, 23, Belfast

"Belfast is a small, beautiful city, with a great music scene. We don't want Northern Ireland to be associated with its troubled past. The music scene is a way of establishing a different identity."



Alia Radman, 15, Cardiff

"I'm Cardiffian, Yemeni and British — I class myself as all of them. Everyone is unique and people should be encouraged to express their individual identities."



Shaun Tulloch, 20, Birmingham

"I was born in Birmingham, as were my parents, but their parents were born in Jamaica, so it's important to know where my relations and ancestors come from. I'm proud to be a Brummie, and proud of my roots."

Levi Hibbert, 18, London

"As a young person it is amazing how much of your identity and heritage is missing, and how filling in the blanks can make you feel so complete. I've got a mixed background and I love different cultures. That's what London is all about."



Portrait of a Nation is run by the Heritage Lottery Fund and Liverpool Culture Company. Join the debate at www.portraitofanation.net

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Which word or phrase is this? Say what you see.



Friday's answer Dirty trick

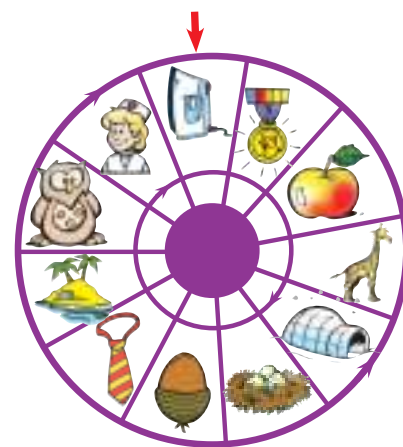
Riddle

What vehicle is spelt the same backwards and forwards?

puzzle of the day

wonder wheel

Starting from the red arrow, write the first letter of each pictured object in its place in the circle to spell out a word



Friday's answer Girls Aloud



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