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Patriotic Songs

*A patriotic song is one that makes you feel proud to belong to and live in the country you call home

*This feeling is called National Pride and can bring a society together in a shared love and devotion for your country

*A National Anthem is a patriotic song. God Save the Queen is treated as England's National Anthem. God Save the Queen is also sung as a Royal Anthem in a number of other Commonwealth countries including Canada, Australia and Barbados

*When England is represented at sporting events, God Save the Queen is sung. When the England Cricket Team are represented however, Jerusalem is sung

*Every country has its own patriotic songs

God Save the Queen

God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen:
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us:
God save the Queen.



National Anthem	A patriotic song officially adopted by a country as an expression of national identity
War Songs	A song that relates to the war or a societies attitudes towards war

Jerusalem

The hymn Jerusalem was written by Sir Hubert Parry in 1916. The opening lyrics 'And did those feet in ancient time, walk upon England's mountains green' are very well-known. Jerusalem is often referred to as England's National Anthem. The lyrics are taken from a poem by William Blake written over hundred years before the music. Sir Edward Elgar (see English Composer 3) wrote the famous orchestration that accompanies this hymn.



I Vow To Thee My Country

The hymn I Vow To Thee My Country was created in 1921 when a poem by Sir Cecil Spring Rice was set to music by Gustav Holst (see English Composer 1). Holst adapted the tune from the middle of a famous piece of music called Jupiter. Holst called his music Jupiter, the Bringer of Jollity. Holst wrote about other planets in The Planet Suite. This is a popular hymn to sing on Remembrance Day and was played at Princes Diana's wedding and funeral.

Land of Hope and Glory

Another Patriotic song with music from Sir Edward Elgar. The words were written by Arthur Benson in 1901. King Edward VII told Elgar he thought the music from his Pomp and Circumstance Number 1 (an orchestral piece) was so good, it would make a great melody for a song. So, Elgar took the lyrics from Benson and added his tune. This is traditionally played on the Last Night of the Proms and people wave flags and banners.

Sussex-by-the-Sea

This is a patriotic song written in 1907 and is often considered to be the unofficial county anthem of Sussex. It is well-known throughout Sussex and can be heard during many sporting events, marching bands and Morris Dancers across Sussex (see Folk Songs). Brighton and Hove Albion Football Club fans and Sussex County Cricket Club fans sing this at the top of their voices during matches. Fans have changed the lyrics from:



'And I'll sing you a song as we march along of Sussex by the Sea,' to:

'And we're going up to win the cup for Sussex by the Sea'

Eternal Father, Strong To Save

This is a British hymn written in 1860 and was inspired by the dangers of the sea. It has been adapted by the Royal Marines, Royal Air Force, Royal Navy and the British Army as a kind of anthem. The chorus has the lyrics:

*O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.*



War songs can be very patriotic. They encourage strength, unity and courage. Dame Vera Lynn became known as 'The Forces' Sweetheart' during the Second World War. *We'll Meet Again, Keep the Home Fires Burning* and *It's a Long Way to Tipperary* are famous songs. Some war songs are anti-war and promote peace.

