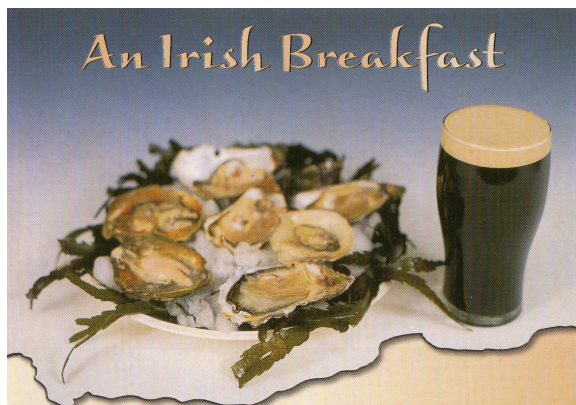
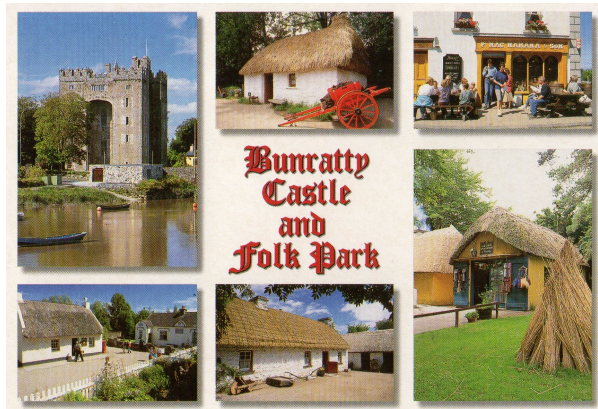
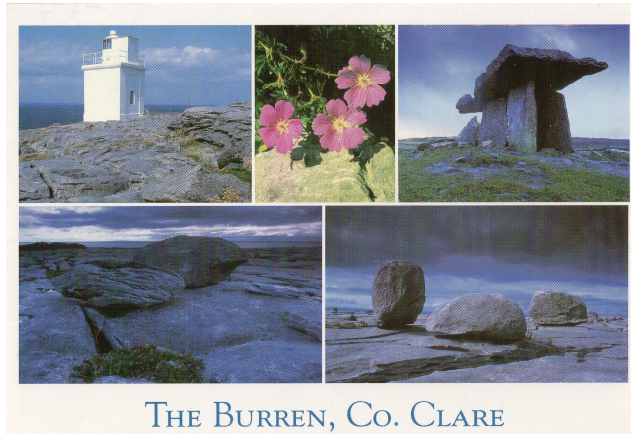
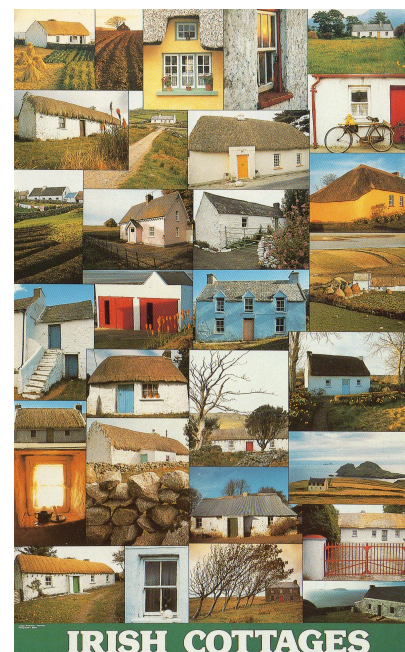
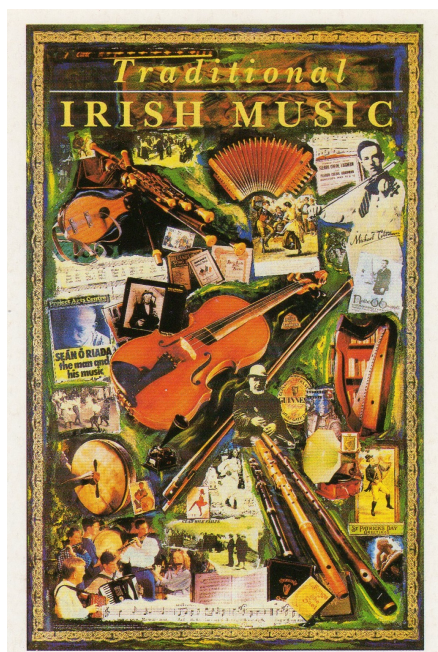
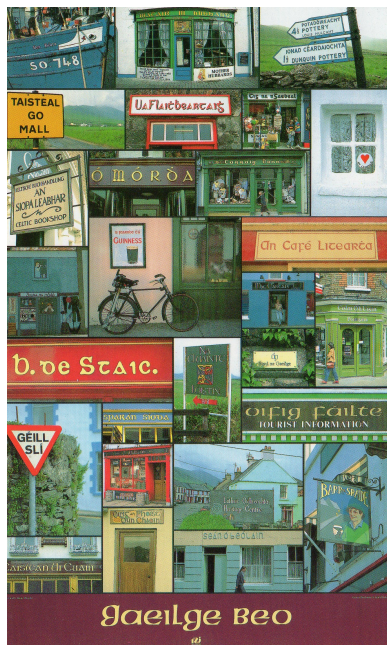
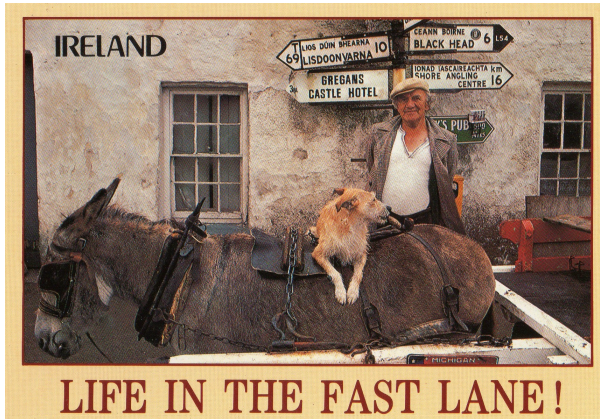


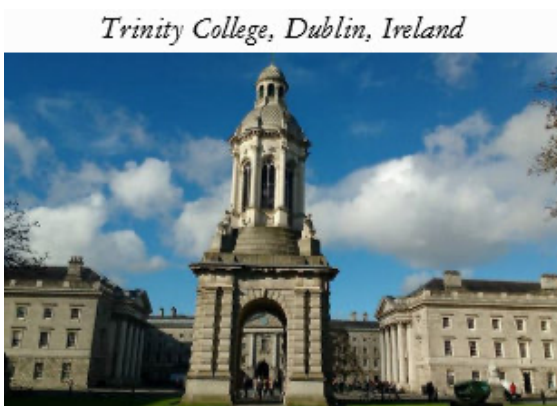
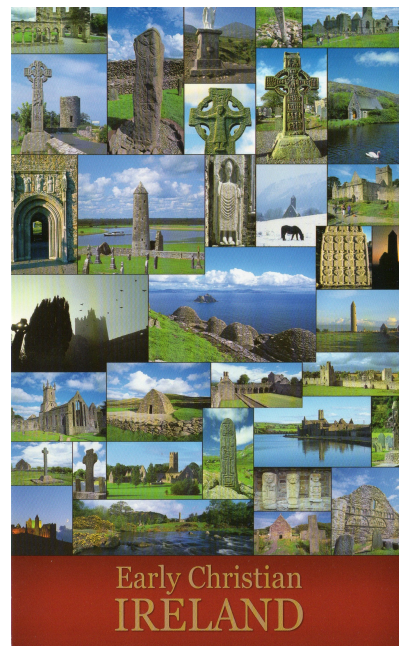
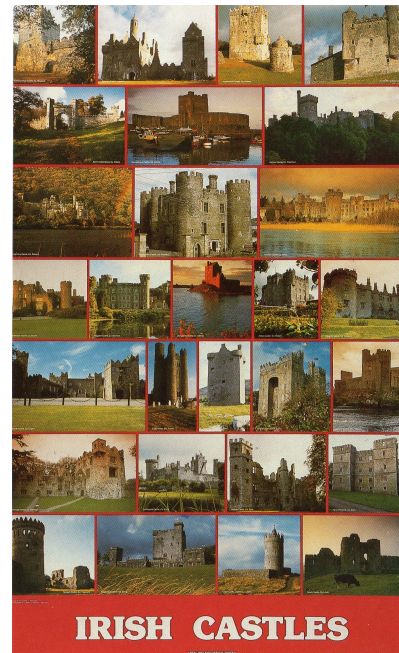
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## Irish Postcards Activity Instructions

- Distribute copies of the different postcards to the learners in your group.
- Suggest that they imagine that they are someone who is considering visiting Ireland for the very first time but who, at the same time, knows absolutely nothing about country.
- Get the learners to discuss what they could infer about the people, the customs or the culture, the history based on what they can see in the postcards.
- Do some group feedback where the learners share their thoughts and ideas.
- Then get the learners back into different groups with a mixture of those who have visited Ireland or who know a lot about the culture and those who haven't been or know very little. Get the groups to discuss the following questions
  1. Based solely on the postcards, how motivated or interested would you be in visiting Ireland?
  2. What are some of the questions that you might have before you could make a final decision?
  3. What are some of the differences between the image of Irish life and culture painted by the postcards and the reality?
  4. What is missing from the list of postcards shown? What other images would you think would be important to include in order to give a more complete representation of Irish life and culture?
  5. If you have been to Ireland before, what advice would you give to people going there for the first time?
  6. To what extent do you think the souvenir postcards that are available for tourists to your town, city or country are a true representation of the life and culture there?
  7. If you had to choose some other images to use in the postcards or publicity what would they be?
  8. What impression of your town, city or country do you think first time visitors come away with after they have visited?
  9. How well do you think your town, city or country promotes itself nationally or internationally?
  10. What are some possible ideas you might have to improve things?