

REGIONAL COLLOQUIALIS MS

Regional slang that may come in handy





LONDON





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- **'Bun that'** – 'forget it.' If you can't be bothered to do something or it's a lot of effort, you would use that phrase. Show of dissatisfaction: "Are you going to the party tonight?" "No, bun that.";
- **Wasteman** – this is basically a friendly insult to mean someone is lazy or not totally with it. Someone who parties too much? Wasteman. That person who never turns up to his lectures or study sessions? Wasteman.
- **Jokes** –in London, it's used as an adjective when something was fun: "That party was jokes."





BRISTOL



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- **Drive** – this is probably the Bristol slang you’ll hear the most often as a student in Bristol, as the locals call their bus drivers ‘Drive’. Expect to hear ‘how much Drive?’ when people get on buses, and ‘cheers Drive’ as they depart.
- **Duck** – this is another informal greeting used for everyone from your best friend to that stranger who held the door open for you. It’s the same as ‘man’ or ‘mate’ – but slightly more affectionate.





MANCHESTER

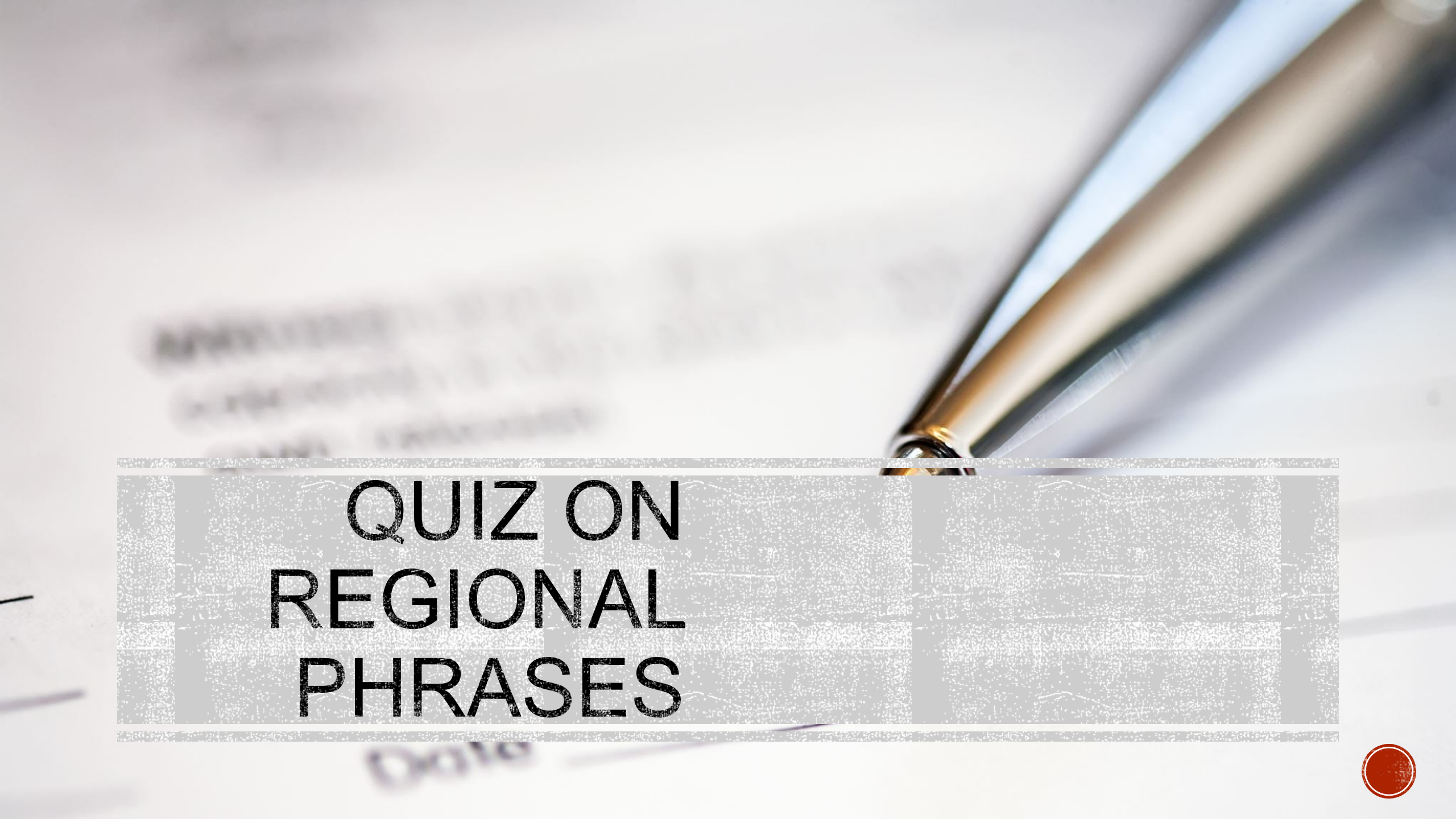




MANCHESTER

- **Our kid** – no this doesn't mean you have suddenly given birth, it's just the Manchester version of 'duck' or 'mate'. It's used to show alliance with someone else, meaning you've got a close bond with them. "Alright our kid, how's it going?"
- **Tea** – this one goes for all northern cities, but tea means much more than just the drink. Tea refers to your evening meal rather than dinner or supper.
- **Grim** – this basically means disgusting. It can refer to the weather, food or just generally gross things. Be warned it rains a lot in Manchester, so you're likely to hear this word being used a lot!





**QUIZ ON
REGIONAL
PHRASES**





Who's your
father?

How's your
father?

How are you?

NORTH EAST: HOO'S YA FETTLE?



- How are you?





Be careful

Be clever

This tastes
metallic



NORTH EAST: GAN CANNY

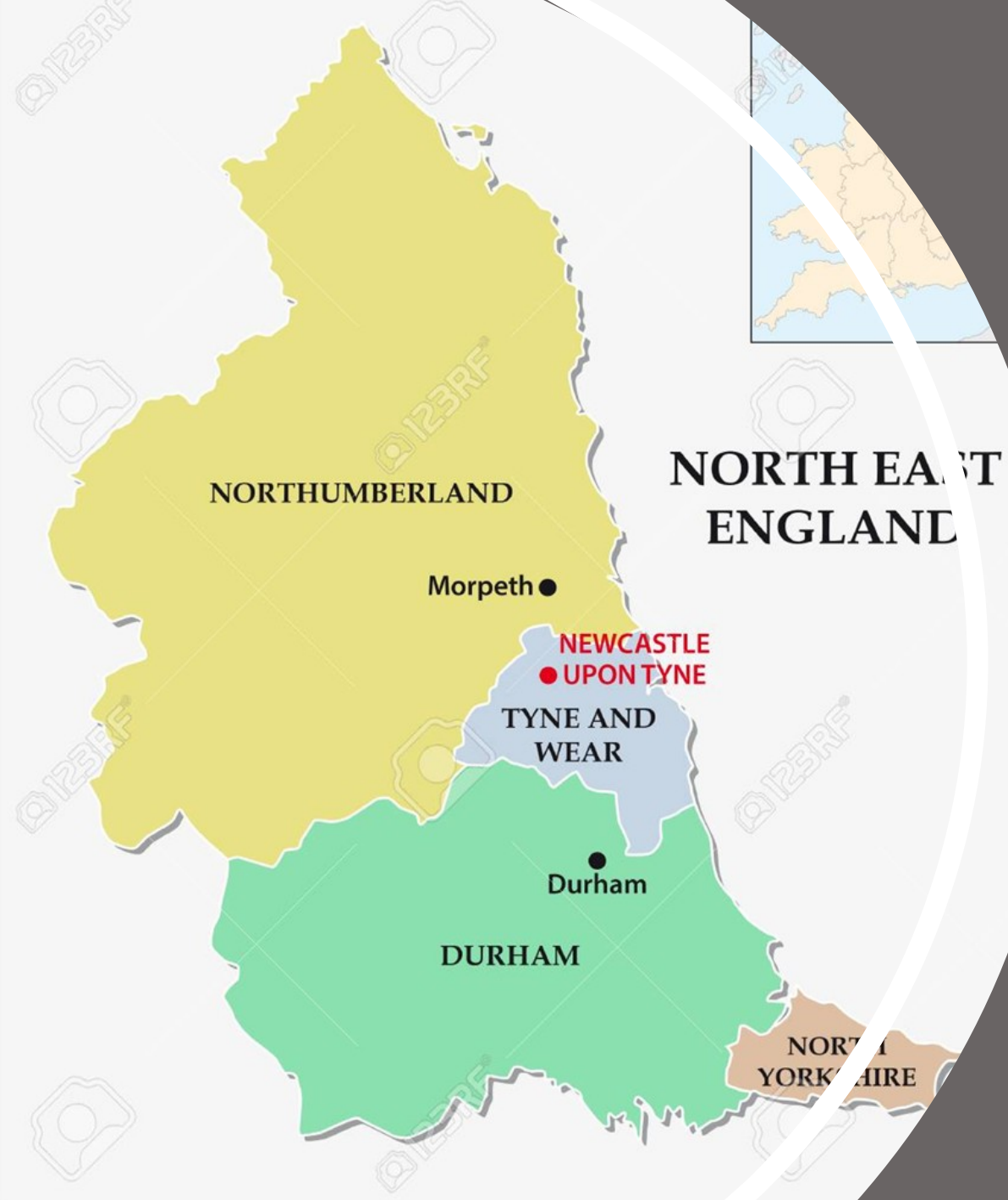
Be careful



Animal friend

Stroking said
animal friend

A term of
endearment



NORTH EAST: PET

- A term of endearment



Is there anything else?

Ouch, that hurts.

How can you tell?



NORTH WEST: OWTEELSE?

- Is there anything else?



Deceased

Boring

Good, decent



NORTHERN IRELAND: DEAD ON

■ Good, decent

NORTHERN IRELAND: LET'S GO FOR A DANDER

1

Let's go for a walk

2

Let's go for a dance

3

Let's Hoover up all this dust





NORTHERN IRELAND: LET'S GO FOR A DANDER

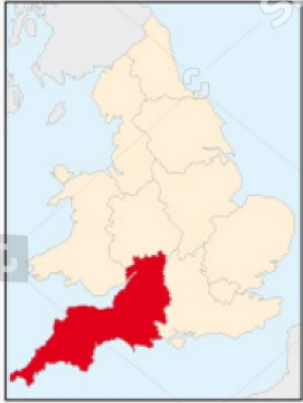
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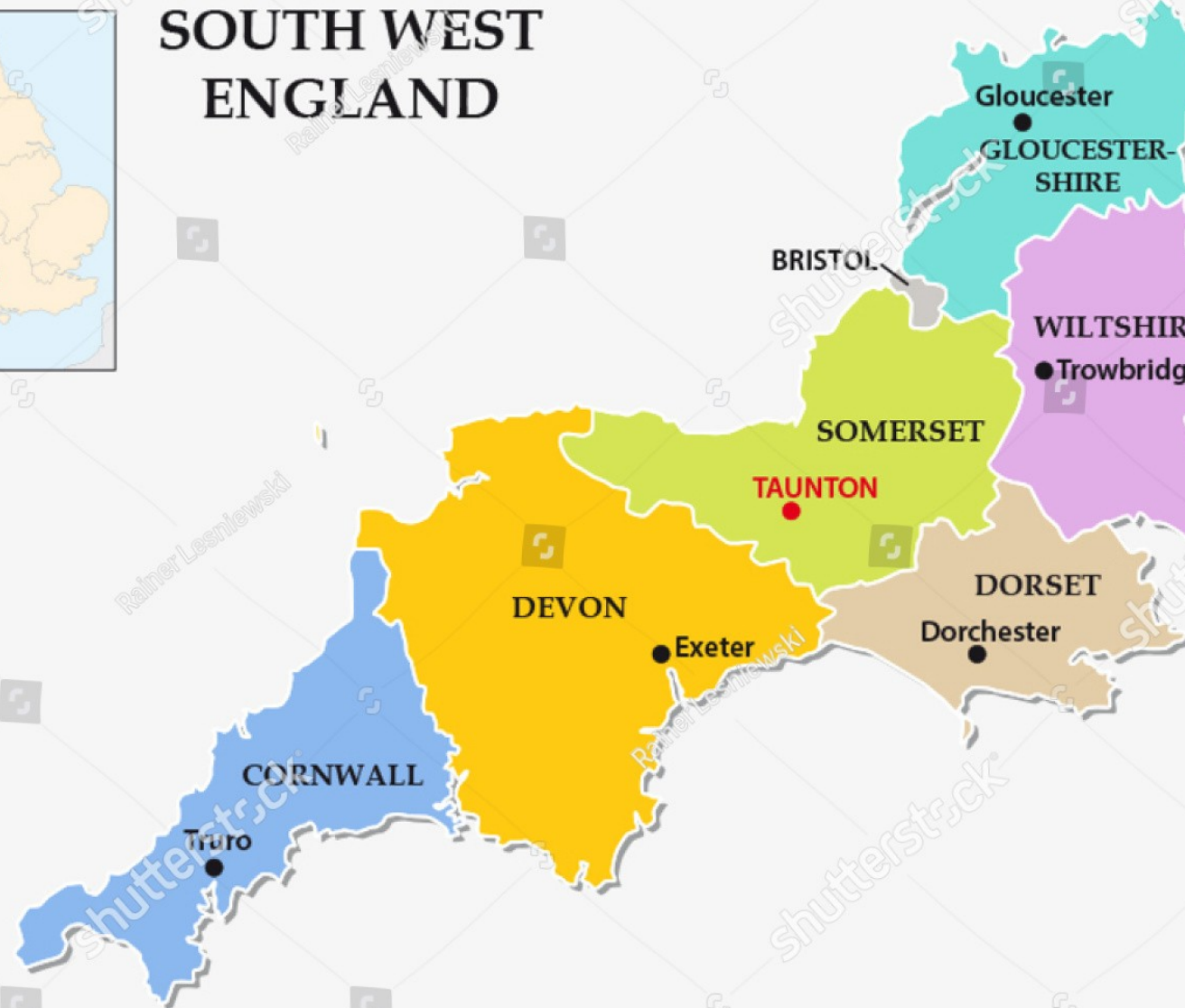
Shortened form of
Gin and Tonic

Nice, agreeable

Like supersonic,
but a bit slower



SOUTH WEST ENGLAND



SOUTH WEST: JONNICK

- **Nice, agreeable**





May you live long
and stay well

May your lower back
smell fragrant

May your chimney
never get blocked up



SCOTLAND: LANG MAY YER LUM REEK

■ May you live long and stay well

YORKSHIRE: WHERE THERE'S MUCK THERE'S BRASS



Hard work pays off



If there's mud on the ground, there's sure to be a band playing



It's pretty cold in the north





YORKSHIRE:
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