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After Raymond Williams *The Royal Throne of Mercy and British Culture in the Victorian Age British Culture and the First World War*

After Raymond Williams Dec 20 2019 This volume is not only a detailed look at some of the writing produced in Scotland and Wales in the years surrounding political devolution, it also include a look at the ways in which difference sub-cultural communities use fiction to renegotiate their relationships with the British whole.

British Cultural Studies Oct 22 2022 British Cultural Studies includes over thirty essays written by expert contributors,

covering almost every aspect of culture and identity in Britain today and addressing the current transformations of British culture and identity in the context of globalization. The opening section of the book deals with different conceptions of Britishness and identity, including English, Scottish, Irish, Welsh, Asian and Black British identities. Section Two then analyses the interplay between tradition and heritage in contemporary culture, whilst the final section looks at the world of lifestyle groups, subcultures, and cultural politics and the way in which they have come in many ways to substitute for notions of Britishness.

Contesting British Chinese Culture Aug 20 2022 This is the first text to address British Chinese culture. It explores British Chinese cultural politics in terms of national and international debates on the Chinese diaspora, race, multicultural, identity and belonging, and transnational 'Chineseness'. Collectively, the essays look at how notions of 'British Chinese culture' have been constructed and challenged in the visual arts, theatre and performance, and film, since the mid-1980s. They contest British Chinese invisibility, showing how practice is not only heterogeneous, but is forged through shifting historical and

political contexts; continued racialization, the currency of Orientalist stereotypes and the possibility of their subversion; the policies of institutions and their funding strategies; and dynamic relationships with transnationalisms. The book brings a fresh perspective that makes both an empirical and theoretical contribution to the study of race and cultural production, whilst critically interrogating the very notion of British Chineseness.

The Royal Throne of Mercy and British Culture in the Victorian Age Nov 18 2019 In the first detailed study of its kind, James Gregory's book takes a historical approach to mercy by focusing on widespread and

varied discussions about the quality, virtue or feeling of mercy in the British world during Victoria's reign. Gregory covers an impressive range of themes from the gendered discourses of 'emotional' appeal surrounding Queen Victoria to the exercise and withholding of royal mercy in the wake of colonial rebellion throughout the British empire. Against the backdrop of major events and their historical significance, a masterful synthesis of rich source material is analysed, including visual depictions (paintings and cartoons in periodicals and popular literature) and literary ones (in sermons, novels, plays and

poetry). Gregory's sophisticated analysis of the multiple meanings, uses and operations of royal mercy duly emphasise its significance as a major theme in British cultural history during the 'long 19th century'. This will be essential reading for those interested in the history of mercy, the history of gender, British social and cultural history and the legacy of Queen Victoria's reign.

British Cultural Identities

Dec 24 2022 The sixth edition of *British Cultural Identities* assesses the degree to which being British impinges on the identity of the many people who belong to contemporary Britain. Twenty-first-century

British identity is analysed through the various and changing ways in which people who live in the UK position themselves and are positioned by their culture. Using examples from contemporary and popular culture, each chapter covers one of eight intersecting themes including places and peoples, education, work and leisure, gender, sex and the family, youth culture and style, class and politics, ethnicity and language, religion, and heritage. This new edition is fully updated to include the latest information on Britain in the 2020s. It explains the influences that shape British identities and outlines the important current

debates stemming from cultural, social, and political change. Considering contemporary touchstones and recent national statistics, the contributors place modern British life in the context of the activities, events, and society found in the UK across recent decades. The book is the perfect introductory text for students of contemporary British society, containing photographs, tables, timelines, discussion questions, cultural examples and suggestions for further resources at the end of each chapter.

Cultural Capital Aug 08 2021
Britain began the twenty-first century convinced of its creativity. Throughout the New

Labour era, the visual and performing arts, museums and galleries, were ceaselessly promoted as a stimulus to national economic revival, a post-industrial revolution where spending on culture would solve everything, from national decline to crime. Tony Blair heralded it a “golden age.” Yet despite huge investment, the audience for the arts remained a privileged minority. So what went wrong? In *Cultural Capital*, leading historian Robert Hewison gives an in-depth account of how creative Britain lost its way. From Cool Britannia and the Millennium Dome to the Olympics and beyond, he shows how culture became a

commodity, and how target-obsessed managerialism stifled creativity. In response to the failures of New Labour and the austerity measures of the Coalition government, Hewison argues for a new relationship between politics and the arts. British Culture since 1945: Sep 09 2021 Seminar paper from the year 2004 in the subject English - Applied Geography, grade: sehr gut, University of Innsbruck (Translationswissenschaft), language: English, abstract: This paper gives an overview on the most important cornerstones of British culture from 1945 to 1970 and gives answers in bullet points to following questions: I. Identify

6 aims of the book (British Culture - An Introduction (David Christopher, Routledge 1999)). II. In which practical ways can you access information and comment on the Arts in Britain today? III. The Social and Cultural Context: Explain the post-war impact in Britain of ethnicity, feminism, youth. IV. Why is 1979 a radical turning-point in arts subsidy? V. 1945 - 1970 -> 1. What did the 1951 Festival of Britain mark? 2. Explain the roots of Reggae in Britain. 3. Which image of London's Notting Hill is offered in the film of the same name? 4. What do Benjamin Britten, Henry Moore, E.M. Forster and Doris Lessing have in common?

5. 5) Explain the socio-cultural context of Penguin's Lady Chatterley Trial. 6. Which social issues did 'social realism' in the arts deal with in the mid/late 1950s? 7. Explain how dissent was introduced into the arts. 8. Which cultural viewpoint did F.R. Leavis hold? Compare his with Richard Hoggart's. 9. Which socio-cultural changes did Labour usher in after 1964? 10. Find out about Margaret Drabble's novel The Millstone. How does it relate to pp 6-7? 11. In which ways are the following representative of the mid-1960s? James Bond, George Best (born in 1946), Twiggy, The Avengers, The Beatles, The Rolling Stones.

The Wreckage of Intentions

Dec 12 2021 The Wreckage of Intentions offers a comprehensive account of seventeenth- and eighteenth-century projects—concrete yet incomplete efforts to advance British society during a period defined by revolutions in finance and agriculture, the rise of experimental science, and the establishment of constitutional monarchy.

British Cultural Identities

Nov 23 2022 The second edition of this successful book analyses contemporary British identity from the various and changing ways. Right up to date, it covers such phenomena as Posh and Becks, Big Brother, the Millenium Dome

and Harry Potter.

British Cultural Studies Jan 01 2021 Scholarly Research Paper from the year 2010 in the subject English - Applied Geography, grade: 2, University of Education Heidelberg, language: English, abstract: A large number of people believe that everything that is man - made can be seen as culture. Moran leaves no doubt about those products' importance, when he writes: "Products, the visible dimension of culture, are the gateway to the new culture, the new way of life" (p. 48). But are there only architecture, paintings, literature, music, language, and food which come to mind if we think of a

country's culture? The iceberg model shows that these aspects represent only a small amount of culture that, just like the visible section of an iceberg above the waterline, can be seen easily and understood clearly. However, there are a lot more facets, also like an iceberg, that can only be suspected or imagined. These parts of the iceberg are its foundation and the iceberg model makes clear that it is impossible to understand people from different cultural backgrounds, unless we are able to appreciate what the foundations of their culture are. But no matter how many different definitions of the term "culture" exist, a lot of them

cover problems concerning the human beings and their life in a community. This implies that we can't learn about another country's culture by reading a lot of books about it, but we need the encounter with another way of life. In that way, culture can also be seen as a concept which regulates the interpersonal cohabitation of human beings in a collective. This collective does not have to be a country by all means, but can also be a group of people with the same interests. If some people who are fond of a special musical genre such as goth, pool together, they have their own culture, too and it is not necessary that they live in the same country. But it is not

merely the music that connects them, but rather "shared interpretations about beliefs, values, and norms, which affect the behaviors" (

Making a Social Body Nov 11 2021 With much recent work in Victorian studies focused on gender and class differences, the homogenizing features of 19th-century culture have received relatively little attention. In *Making a Social Body*, Mary Poovey examines one of the conditions that made the development of a mass culture in Victorian Britain possible: the representation of the population as an aggregate—a social body. Drawing on both literature and social reform texts, she

analyzes the organization of knowledge during this period and explores its role in the emergence of the idea of the social body. Poovey illuminates the ways literary genres, such as the novel, and innovations in social thought, such as statistical thinking and anatomical realism, helped separate social concerns from the political and economic domains. She then discusses the influence of the social body concept on Victorian ideas about the role of the state, examining writings by James Phillips Kay, Thomas Chalmers, and Edwin Chadwick on regulating the poor. Analyzing the conflict between Kay's idea of the social body and

Babbage's image of the social machine, she considers the implications of both models for the place of Victorian women. Poovey's provocative readings of Disraeli's *Coningsby*, Gaskell's *Mary Barton*, and Dickens's *Our Mutual Friend* show that the novel as a genre exposed the role gender played in contemporary discussions of poverty and wealth. *Making a Social Body* argues that gender, race, and class should be considered in the context of broader concerns such as how social authority is distributed, how institutions formalize knowledge, and how truth is defined.

Roots & Culture Jan 21 2020
How did a distinct and

powerful Black British identity emerge? In the 1950s, when many Caribbean migrants came to Britain, there was no such recognised entity as "Black Britain." Yet by the 1980s, the cultural landscape had radically changed, and a remarkable array of creative practices such as theatre, poetry, literature, South Sudan in War and Peace music and the visual arts gave voice to striking new articulations of Black-British identity.

British Cultural Memory and the Second World War May 17 2022
Few historical events have resonated as much in modern British culture as the Second World War. It has left a rich legacy in a range of media

that continue to attract a wide audience: film, TV and radio, photography and the visual arts, journalism and propaganda, architecture, museums, music and literature. The enduring presence of the war in the public world is echoed in its ongoing centrality in many personal and family memories, with stories of the Second World War being recounted through the generations. This collection brings together recent historical work on the cultural memory of the war, examining its presence in family stories, in popular and material culture and in acts of commemoration in Britain between 1945 and the present.

Pleasure, Profit, Proselytism

Jan 13 2022 This book examines aspects of sport which Britain nurtured within its own culture and also transmitted to overseas territories with the expansion of empire.

Popular Cultures in England 1550-1750 Mar 15 2022

Explores the important aspects of popular cultures during the period 1550 to 1750. Barry Reay investigates the dominant beliefs and attitudes across all levels of society as well as looking at different age, gender and religious groups.

English Journeys Mar 23 2020

Imperial Encore Jul 19 2022 In the 1930s, British colonial

officials introduced drama performances, broadcasting services, and publication bureaus into Africa under the rubric of colonial development. They used theater, radio, and mass-produced books to spread British values and the English language across the continent. This project proved remarkably resilient: well after the end of Britain's imperial rule, many of its cultural institutions remained in place. Through the 1960s and 1970s, African audiences continued to attend Shakespeare performances and listen to the BBC, while African governments adopted English-language textbooks produced by metropolitan publishing houses. *Imperial Encore* traces

British drama, broadcasting, and publishing in Africa between the 1930s and the 1980s—the half century spanning the end of British colonial rule and the outset of African national rule. Caroline Ritter shows how three major cultural institutions—the British Council, the BBC, and Oxford University Press—integrated their work with British imperial aims, and continued this project well after the end of formal British rule. Tracing these institutions and the media they produced through the tumultuous period of decolonization and its aftermath, Ritter offers the first account of the global footprint of British cultural imperialism.

The Culture of Male Beauty in Britain

Feb 20 2020 A heavily illustrated history of two centuries of male beauty in British culture. Spanning the decades from the rise of photography to the age of the selfie, this book traces the complex visual and consumer cultures that shaped masculine beauty in Britain, examining the realms of advertising, health, pornography, psychology, sport, and celebrity culture. Paul R. Deslandes chronicles the shifting standards of male beauty in British culture—from the rising cult of the athlete to changing views on hairlessness—while connecting discussions of youth, fitness, and beauty to

growing concerns about race, empire, and degeneracy. From earlier beauty show contestants and youth-obsessed artists, the book moves through the decades into considerations of disfigured soldiers, physique models, body-conscious gay men, and celebrities such as David Beckham and David Gandy who populate the worlds of television and social media. Deslandes calls on historians to take beauty and gendered aesthetics seriously while recasting how we think about the place of physical appearance in historical study, the intersection of different forms of high and popular culture, and what has been at stake for men in “looking

good.”

Studying British Cultures

Jun 18 2022 Multi-culturalism is a hot topicThe author's new afterword and bibliography take into account the more recent changes in the field *British Culture and the First World War* Oct 18 2019 A brief but comprehensive survey of British society and culture during the First World War. George Robb concentrates not on military campaigns and battle strategies, but on the lives of ordinary Britons - how they responded to and were affected by the war, how they attempted to understand the conflict and to explain it to others, and how they have dealt with the war's legacies in

the years since. Robb synthesizes the most recent work on the social and cultural history of the war, as well as reclaiming many forgotten popular cultural sources such as films, cartoons, advertisements and pulp novels.

Cultural Diplomacy Feb 02 2021 Britain and Spain led the two greatest Empires of the modern era, with perhaps the most important legacy that their two languages are amongst most widely spoken in the modern world. Yet the relationship between these two cultural giants has not always been straightforward. The founding of the British-Spanish Society has its origins in 1916

as the Anglo-Spanish League of Friendship which was founded during the First World War by a group of British academics, students and businessmen. It was a means of reaching out in social, cultural and trade friendship with their Spanish counterparts at a time when Spain's official neutrality seemed to be edging closer towards Germany.

Subsequently known as the Anglo-Spanish Society, and finally the British-Spanish Society, its members continued to promote these objectives after that particular war had come to an end. Much has changed since then, with an ever-shifting political and diplomatic environment

affecting the relations between Britain and Spain, but throughout this the core values of the Society have remained constant. This fascinating book tells the story of an organisation at the heart of the relationship between two of Europe's major powers, it will be compulsory reading for those interested in the process of 'soft diplomacy' but above all for those interested in the relationship between Spain and Britain.

The King's Artists Feb 14 2022 This is the first scholarly history of Britain's dominant fine art institution from its foundation in 1768 to the beginning of the Victorian age. Holger Hoock places the Royal

Academy of Arts in the contexts of the metropolitan, British, and European art worlds and explores its influence on the notion of a national school of art. The story of the Academy in these early years illuminates the complex relationships between art and politics, and allows Hoock to explore the concepts and practices of professionalization, cultural patriotism, and royal and state patronage of the arts in an age of war, revolution, and reform. Cultural Diversity in the British Middle Ages Mar 03 2021 Through close readings of both familiar and obscure medieval texts, the contributors to this volume attempt to read England as a singularly

powerful entity within a vast geopolitical network. This capacious world can be glimpsed in the cultural flows connecting the Normans of Sicily with the rulers of England, or Chaucer with legends arriving from Bohemia. It can also be seen in surprising places in literature, as when green children are discovered in twelfth-century Yorkshire or when Welsh animals begin to speak of the long history of their land's colonization. The contributors to this volume seek moments of cultural admixture and heterogeneity within texts that have often been assumed to belong to a single, national canon, discovering moments

when familiar and bounded space erupt into unexpected diversity and infinite realms. *A New Imperial History* Oct 10 2021 This pioneering collection of essays charts an exciting new field in British studies, 'the new imperial history'. Leading scholars from history, literature and cultural studies tackle problems of identity, modernity and difference in eighteenth-century Britain and the empire. They examine, from interdisciplinary perspectives, the reciprocal influences of empire and culture, the movements of peoples, practices and ideas effected by slavery, diaspora and British dominance, and ways in which subaltern, non-

western and non-elite people shaped British power and knowledge. The essays move through Britain, America, India, Africa and the South Pacific in testament to the networks of people, commodities and entangled pasts forged by Britain's imperial adventures. Based on ground-breaking research, these analyses of the imperial dimensions of British culture and identities in global contexts will challenge the notion that empire was something that happened 'out there', and they demonstrate its long-lasting implications for British identity and everyday life.

British Cultural Studies Feb

26 2023 is a comprehensive introduction to the British tradition of cultural studies. Turner offers an accessible overview of the central themes that have informed British cultural studies: language, semiotics, Marxism and ideology, individualism, subjectivity and discourse. Beginning with a history of cultural studies, Turner discusses the work of such pioneers as Raymond Williams, Richard Hoggart, E. P. Thompson, Stuart Hall and the Birmingham Centre for Contemporary Cultural Studies. He then explores the central theorists and categories of British cultural studies: texts and contexts; audience;

everyday life; ideology; politics, gender and race. The third edition of this successful text has been fully revised and updated to include: * How to apply the principles of cultural studies and how to read a text * An overview of recent ethnographic studies * Discussion of anthropological theories of consumption * Questions of identity and new ethnicities * How to do cultural studies, and an evaluation of recent research methodologies * A fully updated and comprehensive bibliography
Cynicism in British Post-War Culture Jul 27 2020 This book is the first academic text to examine cynicism as a driving force in the context of

post-war British culture. It maps a sensibility that transcends divisions between high and low culture, and encompasses figures such as Philip Larkin, John Lennon and Stephen Patrick Morrissey.

The Purpose of Intercultural Learning. Teaching about British Culture in the English Foreign Language Classroom

May 25 2020

Seminar paper from the year 2010 in the subject English - Pedagogy, Didactics, Literature Studies, grade: 13, Justus-Liebig-University Giessen (Anglistik), course: Seminar: Teaching about Britain in the Foreign Language Classroom, language: English, abstract: When it comes to the English

foreign language classroom, often people's first associations are grammar rules or learning vocabulary. In fact, it needs much more to learn a language and be able to use it properly, than just achieving grammatical skills and knowledge in terms of vocabulary. In order to internalize and successfully apply English as a foreign language in spoken and written code, it will not suffice to merely learn about syntax, lexis, phonology and other features that structure the language. The learner should also be aware of the specific cultural background, which speakers of the English language have. Cultural

awareness is necessary in order to show etiquette and avoid misunderstandings in intercultural communication. Thus, intercultural communicative competence is a quality, which helps speakers of English as a foreign language to successfully communicate with native speaker. English - as much as any other language - has developed over centuries and was shaped by culture. Therefore, intercultural learning plays an important role in foreign language learning and should be systematically integrated in the English foreign language classroom. As a matter of fact, English has become the official

language of many nations worldwide and every nation developed its own history and culture, there are many cultures involved when it comes to learning about English culture. Since the English language originates from Britain, this term paper will focus on approaching British culture in the English foreign language classroom and its necessity for the development of an intercultural communicative competence. The term paper will commence by giving a definition of culture and what it has to do with language in general. In the next step, it examines the purpose and development of intercultural learning in the

foreign language classroom. Finally, this term paper gives an overview of how intercultural learning can be approached. It works as a guide for teachers and offers practical examples for the English foreign language classroom with focus on British culture.

Working-class Culture, Women, and Britain,

1914-1921 Jul 07 2021 A history from below, this book is a study of the cultural and social consequences of British working class women's practical engagement in the First World War. It aims to transform our understanding of the nature and scope of war as a cultural and social category,

one that constructs myths of class and gender solidarity, while manipulating class loyalties, and fueling class distinctions and divisions. Because cultural identity is always mediated by class and by material conditions, an examination of the lives, oral narratives, factory newspapers and other writings of working class women proves that during and after the First World War these women were transforming Britain's cultural politics.

The Sixties Sep 28 2020 If the World Wars defined the first half of the twentieth century, the sixties defined the second half, acting as the pivot on which modern times have

turned. From popular music to individual liberties, the tastes and convictions of the Western world are indelibly stamped with the impact of this tumultuous decade. Framing the sixties as a period stretching from 1958 to 1974, Arthur Marwick argues that this long decade ushered in nothing less than a cultural revolution - one that raged most clearly in the United States, Britain, France, and Italy. Marwick recaptures the events and movements that shaped life as we know it: the rise of a youth subculture across the West; the sit-ins and marches of the civil rights movement; Britain's surprising rise to leadership in fashion

and music; the emerging storm over Vietnam; the Paris student uprising of 1968; the growing force of feminism, and much more. For some, it was a golden age of liberation and political progress; for others, an era in which depravity was celebrated, and the secure moral and social framework subverted. The sixties was no short-term era of ecstasy and excess. On the contrary, the decade set the cultural and social agenda for the rest of the century, and left deep divisions still felt today.

[The Politics of Wine in Britain](#)

Jun 06 2021 A unique look at the meaning of the taste for wine in Britain, from the establishment of a

Commonwealth in 1649 to the Commercial Treaty between Britain and France in 1860 - this book provides an extraordinary window into the politics and culture of England and Scotland just as they were becoming the powerful British state.

Cultural Integration of Immigrants in Europe Nov 30 2020 This book seeks to address three issues: How do European countries differ in their cultural integration process and what are the different models of integration at work? How does cultural integration relate to economic integration? What are the implications for civic participation and public

policies?

Studying British Cultures

Sep 21 2022 This collection of essays analyses the ways of teaching and reading British culture. It covers contemporary issues such as the problem of national cultures and identities in modern Britain and the historical context of 'Britishness'.

Strangers Within the Realm

Oct 30 2020 Shedding new light on British expansion in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, this collection of essays examines how the first British Empire was received and shaped by its subject peoples in Scotland, Ireland, North America, and the Caribbean. An introduction

surveys British imperial historiography and provides a context for the volume as a whole. The essays focus on specific ethnic groups -- Native Americans, African-Americans, Scotch-Irish, and Dutch and Germans -- and their relations with the British, as well as on the effects of British expansion in particular regions -- Ireland, Scotland, Canada, and the West Indies. A conclusion assesses the impact of the North American colonies on British society and politics. Taken together, these essays represent a new kind of imperial history -- one that portrays imperial expansion as a dynamic process in which the outlying areas, not only the

English center, played an important role in the development and character of the Empire. The collection interprets imperial history broadly, examining it from the perspective of common folk as well as elites and discussing the clash of cultures in addition to political disputes. Finally, by examining shifting and multiple frontiers and by drawing parallels between outlying provinces, these essays move us closer to a truly integrated story that links the diverse ethnic experiences of the first British Empire. The contributors are Bernard Bailyn, Philip D. Morgan, Nicholas Canny, Eric Richards, James H. Merrell, A. G. Roeber,

Maldwyn A. Jones, Michael Craton, J. M. Bumsted, and Jacob M. Price.

Religion and Society in Twentieth-Century Britain

Apr 16 2022 During the twentieth century, Britain turned from one of the most deeply religious nations of the world into one of the most secularised nations. This book provides a comprehensive account of religion in British society and culture between 1900 and 2000. It traces how Christian Puritanism and respectability framed the people amidst world wars, economic depressions, and social protest, and how until the 1950s religious revivals fostered mass enthusiasm. It

then examines the sudden and dramatic changes seen in the 1960's and the appearance of religious militancy in the 1980s and 1990s. With a focus on the themes of faith cultures, secularisation, religious militancy and the spiritual revolution of the New Age, this book uses people's own experiences and the stories of the churches to display the diversity and richness of British religion. Suitable for undergraduate students studying modern British history, church history and sociology of religion.

Orientalism Transposed May 05 2021 First published in 1998, this volume reflects that, ever since the publication of

Edward Said's *Orientalism* twenty years ago, scholars have tested his thesis against the wider application of his terms to cultural practices and the rhetoric of power. The cultural impact of the British on their colonies has been extensively investigated but only recently have scholars begun to ask in what ways British culture was transformed by its contact with the colonies. The essays in this volume demonstrate how influential the Empire was on British culture from the late eighteenth to early twentieth centuries. They show how, from cross-cultural cross-dressing to Buddhism, British artists and writers

appropriated unfamiliar and challenging aspects of the culture of the Empire for their own purposes. An examination is also made of the extent to which colonized people engaged in the orientalisating discourse, amending and subverting it, even re-applying its stereotypes to the British themselves. Finally, two essays explore instances of the exchange of ideas between colonies. Several of the essays are based on papers given at the 1996 Conference of the College Arts Association.

Mediating Cultural Memory in Britain and Ireland Aug 28 2020 Mediating Cultural Memory is the first book to analyze the relationship

between cultural memory, national identity and the changing media ecology in early eighteenth-century Britain. Leith Davis focuses on five pivotal episodes in the histories of England, Scotland and Ireland: the 1688 'Glorious' Revolution; the War of the Two Kings in Ireland (1688-91); the Scottish colonial enterprise in Darien (1695-1700); the 1715 Jacobite Rising; and the 1745 Jacobite Rising. She explores the initial inscription of these episodes in forms such as ballads, official documents, manuscript newsletters, correspondence, newspapers and popular histories, and examines how counter-memories of these events

continued to circulate in later mediations. Bringing together Memory Studies, Book History and British Studies, *Mediating Cultural Memory* offers a new interpretation of the early eighteenth century as a crucial stage in the development of cultural memory and illuminates the processes of remembrance and forgetting that have shaped the nation of Britain.

The Flyer Jun 25 2020 Between 1939 and 1945, the British public was spellbound by the martial endeavours and dashing style of the young men of the RAF, especially those with silvery fabric wings sewn above the breast pocket of their glamorous slate-blue

uniform. Martin Francis provides the first scholarly study of the place of 'the flyer' in British culture during the Second World War. Examining the lives of RAF personnel, and their popular representation in literary and cinematic texts, he illuminates broader issues of gender, social class, national and racial identities, emotional life, and the creation of a national myth in twentieth-century Britain. In particular, Francis argues that the flyer's relationship to fear, aggression, loss of his comrades, bodily dismemberment, and psychological breakdown reveals broader ambiguities surrounding the dominant

understandings of masculinity in the middle decades of the century. Despite his star appeal, cultural representations of the flyer encompassed both the gentle, chivalrous warrior and the uncompromising agent of destruction. Paying particular attention to the romantic universe of wartime aircrew, Francis reveals the extraordinary contrasts of their daily lives: dicing with death in the sky one moment, before sitting down to lunch with wives and children in the next. Male and female experiences during the war were not polarized and antithetical, but were complementary and interrelated, a conclusion

which has implications for the history of gender in modern Britain that reach well beyond either the specialized military culture of the wartime RAF or the chronological parameters of the Second World War.

The Expansion of England

Apr 23 2020 The organized study of history began in Britain when the Empire was at its height. Belief in the destiny of imperial England profoundly shaped the imagination of the first generation of professional historians. But with the Empire ended, do these mental habits still haunt historical explanation? Drawing on postcolonial theory in a lively mix of historical and theoretical chapters, *The Expansion of*

England explores the history of the British Empire and the practice of historical enquiry itself. There are essays on Asia, Australasia, the West Indies, South Africa and Britain.

Examining the sexual, racial and ethnic identities shaping the experiences of English men and women in the nineteenth century, the authors argue that habits of thought forged in the Empire still give meaning to English identities today.

Cultural Marxism in Postwar Britain Apr 04 2021 A history of British cultural Marxism.

This book traces its development from beginnings in postwar Britain, through transformations in the 1960s and 1970s, to the emergence of

British cultural studies at Birmingham, up to the advent of Thatcherism, to reflect a tradition, that represents an effort to resolve the crisis of the postwar British Left.

Black British Cultural Studies

Jan 25 2023 Black British Cultural Studies has attracted significant attention recently in the American academy both as a model for cultural studies generally and as a corrective to reigning constructions of Blackness within African-American studies. This anthology offers the first book-length selection of writings by key figures in this field. From Stuart Hall's classic study of racially structured societies to an interview by Manthia

Diawara with Sonia Boyce, a leading figure in the Black British arts movement, the papers included here have transformed cultural studies through their sustained focus on the issue of race. Much of the book centers on Black British arts, especially film, ranging from a historical overview of Black British cinema to a weighing of the costly burden on Black artists of representing their communities. Other essays consider such topics as race and representation and colonial and postcolonial discourse. This anthology will be an invaluable and timely resource for everyone interested in cultural studies. It also has

much to offer students of anthropology, sociology, media and film studies, and literary criticism.

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