

Simple Culture Studies for Families

Fun facts about

IRELAND

- Government is a constitutional democracy with elected president and parliament*
- Population is over 5 million*
- Official languages are English and Gaelic*
- Known as the Emerald Isle for its lush, green fields*
- There are no snakes and only 2 types of mice*
- Potatoes were introduced to Ireland in the 1700s. They became a staple food because they grow so well in Irish soil**

*<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/geography/countries/article/ireland>

**<https://www.tastingtable.com/1041962/how-potatoes-became-an-important-part-of-irish-cuisine/>

RECIPES

- [The Best Shepherd's Pie from the Food Network](#)
- [Bangers and Mash from Allrecipes.com](#)
- [Traditional Irish Soda Bread from the New York Times](#)

Video Links

- **River Dancing**
<https://youtu.be/E8gVXz8ZIHl>
- **St. Patrick's Day History**
<https://youtu.be/ckRcNbYQD9k>
- **Kids eat Irish snacks**
<https://youtu.be/A5Hmaqclw8E>