

## The Scottish English Podcast

### **E04** Bonnie Prince Charlie and the Jacobite Dream

Transcript	Vocabulary and grammar structures you should know. *= meaning used in the podcast if there is more than one meaning.	Collocations, idioms and other useful phrases.
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It's September 21st, 1745 in Prestonpans, a small town to the east of Edinburgh.

Bonnie Prince Charlie and his force of inexperienced and poorly equipped men, mainly from the Highland <u>clans</u>, stand <u>victorious</u> over the much larger and well trained British Government army.

The Battle of Prestonpans was seen as a major triumph for Bonnie Prince Charlie and the Jacobites. But who were the Jacobites? And what were they fighting for? Who was Bonnie Prince Charlie? And what happened to the Jacobites after their victory at Prestonpans?

Hello and welcome to the Scottish English Podcast. Improve your English while learning all about Scotland's history, culture and accents.

[00:01:00] Subscribe wherever you get your podcasts or on my YouTube channel so you don't miss out on any upcoming episodes. In the description you'll find a link to download the transcript from today's episode, which includes some key vocabulary that you should know about.

If you don't know me, I'm Claire from Kilted English and I'm building a community of upper-intermediate and advanced English language learners, supporting them as they take

#### Clan (noun) /klæn/

- a group of families who are related to each other, especially in Scotland\*
- (informal, sometimes humorous) a very large family, or a group of people who are connected because of a particular thing

# Victorious (adjective) /vɪk 'tɔːriəs/

- having won a victory; that ends in victory

# Triumph (noun) /'traɪʌmf/

- a great success, achievement or victory\*
- the feeling of great pleasure or joy that you get from a great success or victory
- a triumph (of something) an excellent example of how successful something can be

# ultimately (adverb) / 'Altimateli/

- in the end; finally\*
- at the most basic and important level

# Descendant (noun) /di sendant/

- a person's descendants are their children, their children's children, and all the people who live after them who are related to

- A victorious army/team
- To be victorious in something
- To be victorious over someone

their journey towards the B2 First, and the C1 Advanced Cambridge English exams. If that sounds like you, drop me a comment below and I'll tell you all about it.

Today we're diving into one of the most romantic and <u>ultimately</u> tragic chapters in Scottish history, the Jacobites.

The Jacobites.

I mentioned the Jacobites in a previous episode of the Scottish English podcast, but who were they? The term Jacobite comes from Jacobus, the Latin form [00:02:00] of James. We're talking about the supporters of the Stuart kings. Specifically James the 7th of Scotland and 2nd of England and his descendants.

They believed the Stuarts were the <u>rightful</u> rulers of Britain. And they fought to <u>restore</u> them to the <u>throne</u> after James was removed in the Glorious Revolution of 1688.

Think of it as a family <u>feud</u>. A long and bloody one. With deep roots in Scottish identity and religion. Many Scots felt a strong <u>loyalty</u> to the Stuart <u>dynasty</u> and they <u>resented</u> the new Hanoverian kings who were seen as foreign and less sympathetic to Scottish concerns. This resentment, coupled with a genuine belief in the divine right of kings, fuelled the Jacobite cause.

them\*

something that has developed from something similar in the past

### Rightful (adjective)

/'raItfl/

 [only before noun] (formal) that is correct, right or legal

Restore somebody to something

 to bring somebody/something back to a former condition, place or position

#### Throne (noun) /θrəʊn/

- a special chair used by a king or queen to sit on at ceremonies
- the position of being a king or queen\*

# Feud (noun) /fiu:d/

- an angry and bitter argument between two people or groups of people that continues over a long period of time

## Loyalty (noun)

/ˈlɔɪəlti/

- the quality of being constant in your support of somebody/something\*
- a strong feeling that you want to support and be loyal to somebody/something

#### Dynasty (noun)

- Rightful owner
- Rightful place

- Feud between A and B
- Feud with somebody
- Feud over somebody/somethin g
- Loyalty to/towards somebody/somethin
- Divided loyalties

#### The Jacobite Uprisings.

Now, the Jacobite story isn't just one big rebellion. It was a series of [00:03:00] uprisings. each with its own characters and dramas.

We had the Jacobite risings of 1715, 1719, and most famous of all, 1745.

This 1745 uprising was led by none other than Prince Charles Edward Stuart, better known as Bonnie Prince Charlie.

He was the grandson of King James VII of Scotland.

He was a charismatic and handsome young man determined to reclaim the throne.

He landed in Scotland with a handful of men and against all odds managed to raise a significant army. These troops were mainly untrained men from highland clans, which would eventually be their downfall.

Initially, the Jacobites enjoyed some stunning victories. As well as having success in the Battle of Prestonpans, they captured Edinburgh, and even marched as far south as Derby in England, causing panic in London. A [00:04:00] Scottish army led by a Stuart prince threatening the very heart of the British kingdom.

Because of the uprising in 1745, some of the

#### /ˈdɪnəsti/

- a series of leaders of a country who all belong to the same family\*
- a period of years during which members of a particular family rule a country

#### Resent (verb) /rɪˈzent/

to feel bitter or angry about something. especially because you feel it is unfair

### Divine (adjective)

/dɪˈvaɪn/

- coming from or connected with God or a aod\*
- (old-fashioned) wonderful; beautiful

### Fuel (verb)

/ˈfiuːəl/

- fuel something to supply something with material that can be burnt to produce heat or power\*
- fuel (something) (up) to put petrol into a vehicle

## Uprising (noun)

/'Apraizin/

uprising (against something) a situation in which a group of people join together in order to fight against the people who are in power

Rebellion (noun)

- Resent something/someone
- Resent doing something
- Resent somebody doing something
- Divine law/love/will
- Divine intervention (= help from God to change a situation)

- A popular uprising
- To crush/suppress an uprising

ways of life in Scotland were <u>outlawed</u> by the British government. This included the wearing of tartan and the playing of the bagpipes.

Despite the Jacobite success, the <u>tide soon</u> <u>turned</u>. The Jacobite army was forced to retreat all the way back to the Highlands with their campaign, <u>culminating</u> in the disastrous Battle of Culloden in 1746.

This battle was a <u>brutal</u> and bloody affair. And it marked the end of the Jacobite challenge. Culloden was a devastating defeat for the Jacobites. Prince Charles Edward Stuart became a <u>fugitive</u>, famously escaping with the help of Flora MacDonald, a Highland heroine.

His escape became part of Romantic folklore. He spent years in exile, mainly in France, never giving up hope of [00:05:00] regaining the throne. However, his dream ultimately died with him.

The Jacobite era left a lasting legacy on Scotland. It was a period of intense political and social upheaval.

But it also produced some beautiful songs, poetry and stories. It's a story of courage, loyalty and ultimately <u>heartbreak</u>. It's a story that continues to fascinate people even today.

Thanks for listening today. Don't forget to download the transcript from this episode.

#### /rɪˈbeljən/

- an attempt by some of the people in a country to change their government, using violence\*
- opposition to authority within an organization, a political party, etc.
- opposition to authority; being unwilling to obey rules or accept normal standards of behaviour, dress, etc.

# Charismatic (adjective) / kærɪz mætɪk/

- having charisma

#### Against all odds (phrase)

- Despite very low probability; in a most unlikely way

### Downfall (noun)

#### /ˈdaʊnfɔːl/

- the loss of a person's money, power, social position, etc.; the thing that causes this

### Outlaw (verb)

#### /ˈaʊtlɔː/

- outlaw something to make something illegal\*
- outlaw somebody (in the past) to make somebody an outlaw

#### The tide turned (idiom)

- used to say that there is a change in

- In rebellion (against somebody/somethin g)
- Put down a rebellion (= to stop the rebellion)

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somebody's luck or in how successful they are being

Culminate (verb)

/ˈkʌlmɪneɪt/

to end with a particular result, or at a particular point

Brutal (adjective)

/'bruːtl/

- violent and cruel
- direct and clear about something unpleasant; not thinking of people's feelings

Fugitive (noun)

/ˈfjuːdʒətɪv/

 a person who has escaped or is running away from somewhere and is trying to avoid being caught

Heroine (noun)

/ˈherəʊɪn/

- a girl or woman who is admired by many for doing something brave or good\*
- the main female character in a story, novel, film, etc.

Upheaval (noun)

/vp hi:vl/

 a big change that causes a lot of worry and problems

- Culminate (in/with something)
- A brutal attack/murder/killing
- A brutal and repressive regime
- Fugitive from somebody/somethin g
- A fugitive from justice

Heartbreak (noun) /ˈhɑːtbreɪk/ - a feeling of being very sad	
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