

St Mark's Word of the Week



Cushty

Are you familiar with this word?

What does it mean?

Can you use it in a sentence?

What does it have to do with this character?



Cushty (adjective)

Definition

- Excellent, very good

Examples:

- That's a cushty set up you've got over there.
- It's a really cushty deal; I don't see why people are moaning about it.
- Don't worry about it, everything's going to be cushty.
- Cushty.

Can you come up with your own?



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Definition

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Can you think of any synonyms for cushty?

- Delightful
- Awesome
- Amazing
- Pleasing
- Brilliant

Can you think of any antonyms for cushty?

- Bad
- Rubbish
- Awful

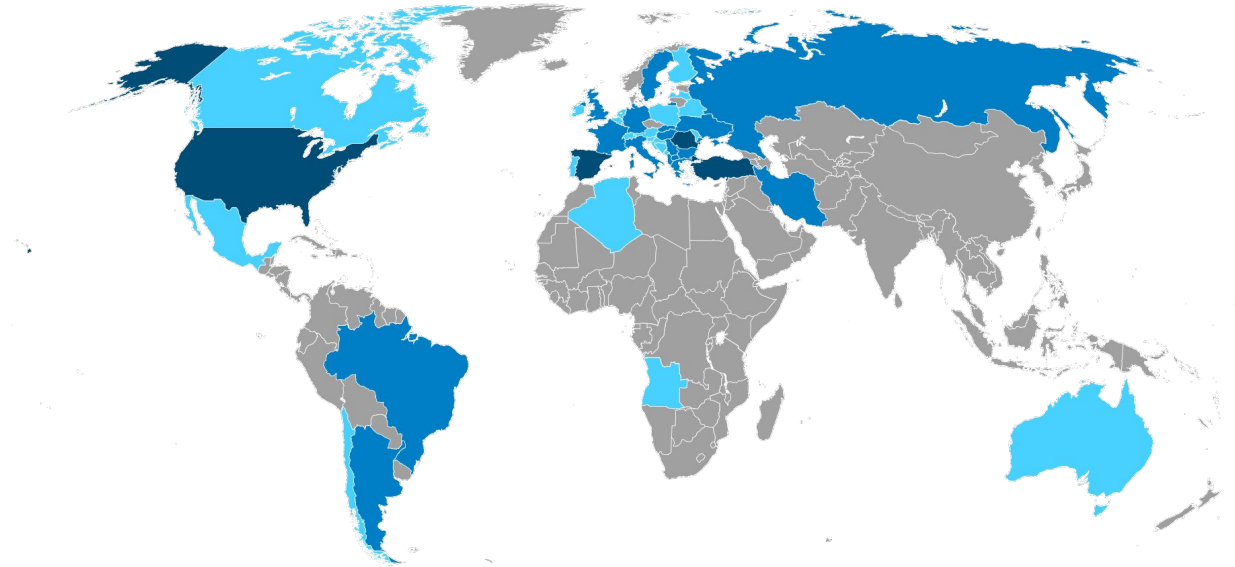


Where does the word come from? What is its etymology?

Kushti

Romani, 'good'

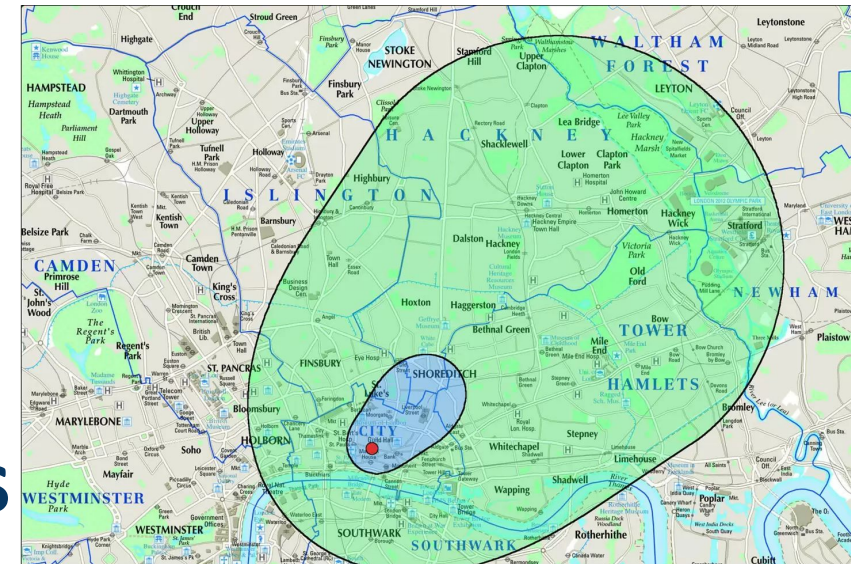
Spoken by the Romani people who traditionally travelled through Europe and now live across the world



Cushty

Part of the Cockney dialect spoken in East London

So how did a word spoken in part of London come to be known by people across the UK?



Only Fools and Horses was one of the one of the most popular comedy shows of the 80s and 90s with up to 15 million people watching each episode.



The main character Del Boy had many words and phrases he would regularly use including 'cushty' inserting this little known word into millions of people's vocabularies.