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In *That's Not English*, the seemingly superficial differences between British and American English open the door to a deeper exploration of a historic and fascinating cultural divide. In each of the thirty chapters, Erin Moore explains a different word we use that says more about us than we think. For example, "Quite" exposes the tension between English reserve and American enthusiasm; in "Moreish," she addresses our snacking habits. In "Partner," she examines marriage equality; in "Pull," the theme is dating and sex; "Cheers" is about drinking; and "Knackered" covers how we raise our kids. The result is a cultural history in miniature and an expatriate's survival guide.

American by birth, Moore is a former book editor who specialized in spotting British books—including *Eats*, *Shoots & Leaves*—for the US market. She's spent the last seven years living in England with her Anglo American husband and a small daughter with an English accent. *That's Not English* is the perfect companion for modern Anglophiles and the ten million British and American travelers who visit one another's countries each year.



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