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ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS

Do you think that Britain has a "special close relationship" with America or does America have much the same relationship with us as with other leading European countries?

Special relationship 54%
As with other countries 32
Don't know 14

Would you approve or disapprove if we gave up any claim to a "special relationship" with America if it would help us to get into the Common Market?

Approve 32%
Disapprove 37
Don't know 31

If the British Government were to decide that Britain's interests would best be served by joining the European Common Market, would you approve or disapprove?

Approve 67%
Disapprove 17
Don't know 16

If you had to choose between entering the Common Market, or closer association with America, which would you choose?

Enter Common Market 56%
Association with America 24
Don't know 20

Do you think there is a good chance or a poor chance that Great Britain will be able to join the European Common Market?

Good chance 58%
Poor chance 23
Don't know 19

France might agree to our entry into the Common Market if we, in exchange, would agree to sharing with her our nuclear weapons and "know-how." Would you approve of such an agreement or not?

Approve 30%
Disapprove 51
Don't know 19

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FOREIGN RELATIONS

Do you think that Britain's relationship with these countries is too close, not close enough or about right:

Russia?

Too close	8%
Not close enough.....	37
About right	41
Don't know	14

Eastern European countries like Czechoslovakia and Hungary?

Too close	4%
Not close enough.....	40
About right	28
Don't know	28

China?

Too close	9%
Not close enough.....	34
About right	28
Don't know	29

France?

Too close	13%
Not close enough.....	30
About right	41
Don't know	16

Germany?

Too close	13%
Not close enough.....	26
About right	44
Don't know	17

USA?

Too close	25%
Not close enough.....	13
About right	50
Don't know	12

Do you think Russia really wants to be friendly with the West or should we treat her advances with suspicion?

Wants to be friendly	54%
Treat advances with suspicion	36
Don't know	10

Do you think that Britain should work more closely or less closely with the U.S.A. than it is at present on questions of:

Foreign policy?

More closely	39%
Less closely	24
As at present	25
Don't know	12

Economic policy?

More closely	37%
Less closely	20
As at present	27
Don't know	16

ATTITUDES AND PREJUDICES

Which of these words most clearly sums up your attitude towards:

Jews?

Very good	16%
Good	30
Fairly good	31
Poor	8
Very poor	3
Don't know	12

Coloured people?

Very good	8%
Good	23
Fairly good	34
Poor	18
Very poor	9
Don't know	8

Americans?

Very good	13%
Good	35
Fairly good	35
Poor	10
Very poor	3
Don't know	4

Germans?

Very good	4%
Good	25
Fairly good	42
Poor	11
Very poor	5
Don't know	9

French?

Very good	4%
Good	13
Fairly good	29
Poor	27
Very poor	16
Don't know	11

Russians?

Very good	4%
Good	22
Fairly good	34
Poor	16
Very poor	5
Don't know	19

From the list on this card, which words seem to you to describe the French people best?

Quick tempered	14%
Ordinary	12
Artistic	11
Conceited	11
Religious	11
Sly	8
Arrogant	8
Hardworking	6
Intelligent	6
Treacherous	6
Practical	5
Rude	5
Radical	4
Progressive	4
Honest	4
Generous	4
Warlike	3
Lazy	3
Aristocratic	3
Ignorant	3
Dull	3
Brave	3
Unimaginative	1
Cruel	1

From this list on this card, which words seem to you to describe the American people best?

Progressive .....	.24%
Conceited .....	.16
Intelligent .....	.15
Generous .....	.15
Hardworking .....	.14
Practical .....	.10
Ordinary .....	.8
Honest .....	.8
Arrogant .....	.8
Warlike .....	.6
Radical .....	.4
Rude .....	.3
Dull .....	.3
Quick-tempered .....	.2
Lazy .....	.2
Unimaginative .....	.2
Ignorant .....	.2
Brave .....	.2
Religious .....	.1
Artistic .....	.1
Sly .....	.1
Treacherous .....	.1
Aristocratic .....	.1
Cruel .....	.1

From the list on this card, which words seem to you to describe the Russian people best?

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Hardworking	33%
Progressive	23
Intelligent	15
Practical	11
Warlike	9
Ordinary	7
Dull	6
Radical	5
Unimaginative	4
Arrogant	4
Honest	4
Sly	3
Treacherous	3
Cruel	3
Ignorant	3
Brave	3
Generous	2
Conceited	2
Quick-tempered	2
Lazy	1
Aristocratic	1
Rude	1
Religious	1
Artistic	1

BRITAIN'S BEST FRIEND

Which country do you regard as Britain's best friend?

America	45%
Australia	10
Canada	6
Scandinavia	3
West Germany	3
Holland	2
Switzerland	2
Belgium	1
France	1
Russia	1
Other	3
Don't know	23

Which country on the Continent of Europe is Britain's best friend?

Germany	15%
Holland	12
Denmark	11
Belgium	8
Sweden	7
Norway	5
France	4
Italy	1
Spain	1
Other	2
Don't know	34

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FOREIGN RELATIONS

Which of these three — Europe, the Commonwealth or America — is the most important to Britain?

Europe .....	.21%
Commonwealth .....	.34
America .....	.34
Don't know .....	.11

How important do you think it is for Britain to have a close relationship with:

Commonwealth countries?

Very important .....	.54%
Important .....	.31
Not very important .....	.8
Don't know .....	.7

America?

Very important .....	.45%
Important .....	.41
Not very important .....	.7
Don't know .....	.7

European countries?

Very important .....	.38%
Important .....	.43
Not very important .....	.11
Don't know .....	.8

Which of these statements most nearly sums up your attitude towards:

The French?

Like them a lot	2%
Like them	22
Quite like them	37
Dislike them	29
Strongly dislike them	6
Don't know	3

The Germans?

Like them a lot	3%
Like them	24
Quite like them	41
Dislike them	24
Strongly dislike them	6
Don't know	2

The Americans?

Like them a lot	10%
Like them	41
Quite like them	37
Dislike them	8
Strongly dislike them	2
Don't know	2