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Drinking laws

In the programme today, has a change in drinking laws in England and Wales affected people's attitudes to alcohol? We'll be hearing from a medical worker as Jackie and Elena talk about the language of drinks and going out.

**This week's question:** What is the oldest alcoholic drink in the world?

- a) Wine
- b) Beer
- c) Sake

Listen out for the answer at the end of the programme!

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#### Vocabulary from the programme

##### Asking if someone wants to go out for a drink

Let's go for a drink! (usually referring to alcohol)

Do you fancy a drink?

Let's go to the pub!

Shall we have a quick one? (informal)

##### Phrases to use when you want to pay for other people's drinks

I'm buying

It's on me

It's my round

##### binge drinking

drinking a lot of alcohol in a short period of time

##### paced

spread out over a period of time

##### to pace your drinking

to not drink too quickly

#### Extras

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