

- **32 LANGUAGES ARE SPOKEN IN SWINDON.** FALSE

(132 languages are spoken in Swindon including Polish, which is the highest other than English, Nepalese, Bengali and so many others!)

- **ONLY SINCE 2000 PEOPLE HAVE COME TO SWINDON FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.** FALSE

(People have been coming to Swindon from all around the world for hundreds of years.)

- **ONE IN SIX PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN SWINDON WERE BORN OUTSIDE THE UK.** TRUE

(In 2019 it was reported that 17% of Swindon's population were born somewhere other than the UK)

- **SWINDON DIDN'T EXIST BEFORE 1900, IT'S A RELATIVELY NEW TOWN.** FALSE

(Swindon began as a Saxon village. The name Swindon is derived from the Saxon words swine dun meaning pig hill or the hill where pigs were bred. Swindon is mentioned in the Domesday Book (1086). At that time Swindon was a tiny village but by the late 13th century Swindon had grown into a small town with a weekly market. Swindon was still a very small settlement with perhaps 600 inhabitants. It would seem tiny to us but settlements were very small in those days. A typical village had only 100 or 150 inhabitants. Over time it just got bigger and bigger until it became the Swindon we know and love today.)

