

Do you know them?
If not, who do you *think* they are?





10 Eurovision Facts about Ireland

Ireland has won the Eurovision _____ times in total.

Ireland is the only country to have a _____ singer perform in the contest.

Jedward performed _____, in both 2011 and 2012.

This year, in 2014, the contest took place in _____.

The Eurovision is an _____ singing competition.

Each country has to _____ for the other countries by giving points from 0 – 12 at the end of the show.

The contest is watched by _____ of people each

The Eurovision is one of the most- _____ events in the world.

Ireland _____ the competition for the first time in 1970.



Missing Word Cards

seven

Non-human

twice

Copenhagen

annual

vote

millions

watched

language

won

Giving your Opinion!

Personal Views

- In my experience...
- I'd like to point out that....
- In my point of view...
- In my opinion...
- I reckon that....
- I believe in....
- I strongly feel that...

Agreeing....

- I agree with you (entirely)
- I'm with you on that
- I'm on the same page
- That's exactly what I was thinking
- I couldn't agree more

Disagreeing....

- I disagree with you (entirely)
- That's not entirely true
- On the contrary..
- I'm afraid I have to disagree
- I'm not so sure about that.





Let's Debate!

Team A

The Eurovision is incredible!!

The Eurovision Song Contest is **incredible!** It's about so much more than talent; it's about **supporting** your country and **celebrating** your culture!

Winning the Eurovision provides huge **opportunities** for singers to **promote** themselves internationally. If a country wins the contest, they also get to host it the following year, which **attracts** millions of people to their country and increases tourism. This is hugely **beneficial to** the economy! Think about the hotels, restaurants, bars and many tourist sites that tourists visit.... How can it possibly be a bad thing?

Notes:

Team B

The Eurovision is trash T.V!!

What rubbish!! I would prefer to watch paint dry. Countries are not **represented by** their most talented singers; they are all just **manufactured** songs, typical of Eurovision winners in the past. It's not realistic! Each country should **submit** their best talent. (Wasn't Ireland's entry in 2008 a turkey?)

Countries also **tend to** vote for their neighbours; it's not a **fair** competition. Ireland has won the contest 7 times, but now they are rarely in the top 10 and that's due to their **economic boom!** The audience are no longer **voting for** them.

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