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## The Alistair Cooke Memorial Lecture

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An American Patriot Today

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**In a tribute to one of the most insightful observers of America, the BBC presents the Alistair Cooke Memorial Lecture.**



#### An American Patriot Today

The lecturer is Senator John McCain, one of the most popular politicians in the United States today.

In front of an invited audience at the English Speaking Union in London, on the day that Americans celebrate their independence from Britain 229 years ago, Senator McCain will argue that "to be an American patriot is to support a moral mission at home and abroad".

*Introduced by broadcaster Nick Clarke, the biographer of Alistair Cooke.*

#### Senator John McCain

U.S. Senator John McCain has a long career of public service.

After graduating from the Naval Academy in 1958, John McCain began his career as a Naval aviator.

In 1982, he was elected to Congress representing what was then the first congressional district of Arizona. In 1986, he was elected to the United States Senate to take the place of Arizona's great Senator Barry Goldwater. Senator McCain is currently the senior senator from Arizona.

In 2000, McCain ran unsuccessfully for the Republican

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nomination for President of the United States.

He is currently the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, and serves on the Armed Services, and Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committees.

Senator McCain has seven children and four grandchildren. He and his wife, Cindy, reside in Phoenix.

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