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## Translating UK crochet terms to US crochet terms

Here are the basic terms and translations:

UK Crochet Term	US Crochet Term
Chain (ch)	Chain (ch)
Double Crochet (dc)	Single Crochet (sc)
Treble Crochet (tr)	Double Crochet (dc)
Half Treble Crochet (htr)	Half Double Crochet (hdc)
Double Treble Crochet (dtr)	Triple Crochet (trc)
Slip Stitch (ss or sl st)	Slip Stitch (ss or sl st)

### Why is there a difference between UK and US Crochet Styles, and what is this difference based on?

In the US, the stitch is named after the number of times you need to pick up a loop of yarn over the hook.

For example, in a single crochet stitch, you pick up yarn on the hook, and you pull through once, therefore it is called single crochet.

In UK terminology, it refers to the number of stitches left on the hook through which the yarn is pulled on the last move.

So a double crochet (US single) has two loops on the hook and the yarn is pulled through those two loops, so we call it double crochet.

This translation works for most of the other US main stitches too e.g. double/ UK treble where the US double requires

picking up yarn twice before pulling through the last set of loops therefore is called double crochet but in UK terms it is called treble crochet (US double) because it has 3 stitches/loops left on the hook for the last move.

Just to recap:

US terms refer to number of times you need to pick up yarn and pull through

UK terms refer to number of loops on hook through which you need to pull yarn

The easiest way to remember is if you are translating from US to UK, go up one e.g. single becomes double, and double becomes treble. If you are translating from UK to US, go down one, e.g. double becomes single, and treble becomes double.

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