What do you know about ...?

THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND - GEOGRAPHY

Two main islands and 6,000 smaller islands.

Two countries and three crown dependencies.

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Ireland (Éire).

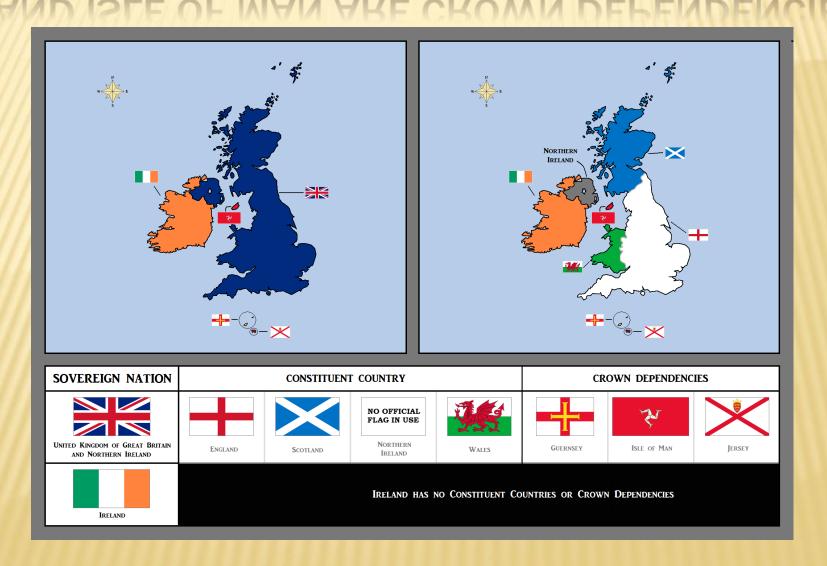
THE BRITISH ISLES



WHAT MAKES UP THE UNITED KINGDOM?

The United Kingdom (UK) is a state located on the British Isles in the Atlantic Ocean, northwest of continental Europe. It is part of Europe but separated from France by the English Channel. The UK is made up of four countries, England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales.

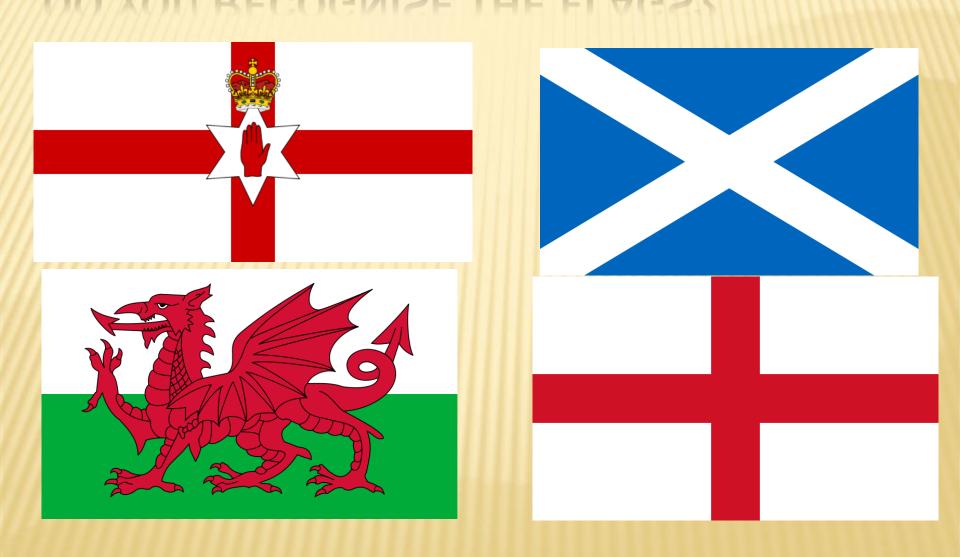
4 COUNTRIES IN THE U.K. JERSEY, GUERNSEY AND ISLE OF MAN ARE CROWN DEPENDENCIES.



WHICH IS THE LARGEST ISLAND?

Great Britain is the largest of the British Isles (1,000 km long, 480 km wide). Apart from it, the UK occupies part of the island of Ireland and numerous other small islands, such as the Shetlands, Orkneys, Inner and Outer Hebrides, Anglesey and the Isle of Wight.

DO YOU RECOGNISE THE FLAGS?



WHO WERE THE PATRON SAINTS OF THE FOUR U.K. COUNTRIES?

- David, Patrick, Andrew, George.
- Which saint for which country?





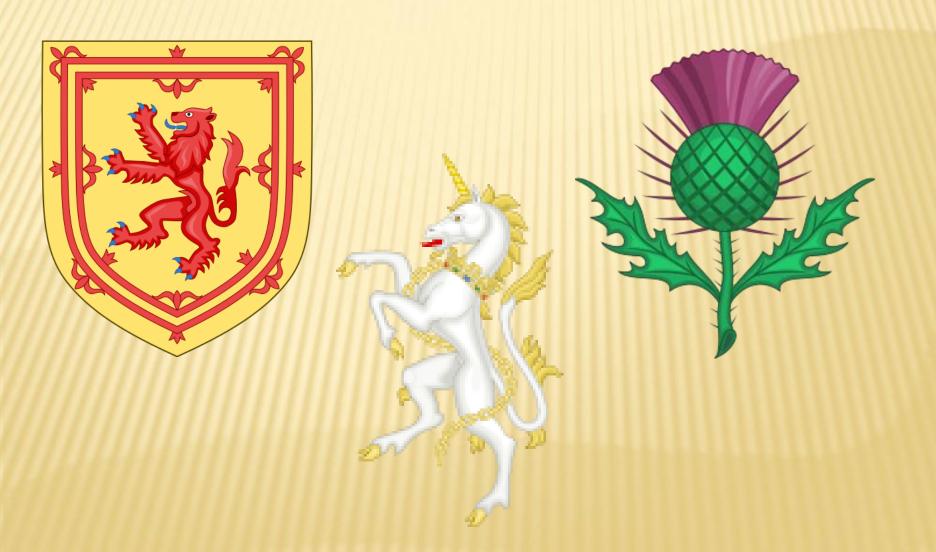
















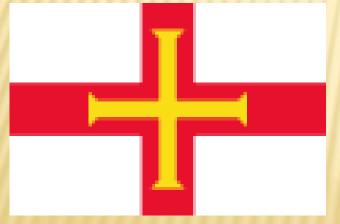






WHICH CROWN DEPENDENCIES ARE THESE?







GREAT BRITAIN IS ON THE CONTINENTAL SHELF, BUT ACROSS THE SEA FROM THE CONTINENT.



WHAT IS THE TERRAIN LIKE?

The north and north-west of the country are more mountainous, while the south and east have softer rolling hills and flat lands. The longest river is the River Severn, flowing through Wales and England, followed by the River Thames. The mild climate means that there are no real weather extremes.

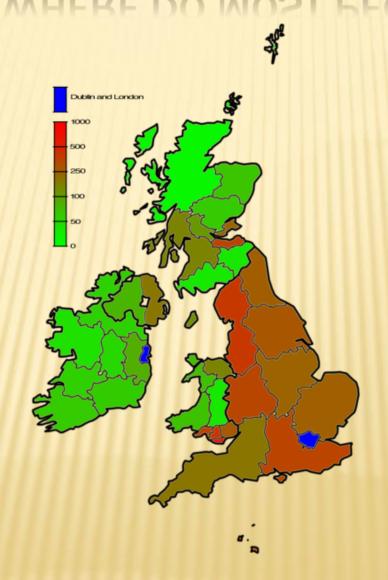
MOUNTAINS IN THE NORTH AND WEST, LOWLANDS IN THE SOUTH AND EAST.



HOW MANY PEOPLE? WHAT LANGUAGES?

The UK is a very populated country with over 60 million people. The main language spoken is English, but there are lots of regional dialects (accents) across the country. Gaelic is spoken in some areas of Scotland, and Welsh is the second language spoken in Wales. Many other world languages are spoken in the towns and cities of Great Britain.

60 MILLION POPULATION IN U.K. AND 5 MILLION IN IRELAND. WHERE DO MOST PEOPLE LIVE?



LARGEST CITIES IN THE UK LIST OF THE LARGEST CITIES IN THE U.K.

×	London	7.2 Million
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× Birmingham 992,000

× Leeds 720,000

× Glasgow 560,000

× Sheffield 512,000

× Bradford 467,000

Edinburgh 450,000

× Liverpool 440,000

× Manchester 420,000

CAN YOU FIND ALL OF THEM ON THE MAP?

LARGEST CITIES IN THE UK - 2 LIST OF THE LARGEST CITIES IN THE U.K.

* Bristol 380,000

Wakefield 316,000

x Cardiff 310,000

Coventry 305,000

× Nottingham 285,000

× Leicester 280,000

× Sunderland 280,000

Belfast 280,000

× Newcastle 259,000

CAN YOU FIND ALL OF THEM ON THE MAP?

LONDON IS THE CAPITAL AND BIGGEST CITY.











THE CAPITAL OF SCOTLAND IS EDINBURGH



THE CAPITAL OF WALES IS CARDIFF



THE CAPITAL OF N. IRELAND IS BELFAST



THIS STRANGE DEPARTMENT STORE BY CZECH ARCHITECT KAPLICKÝ IS IN THE SECOND LARGEST ENGLISH CITY IN THE MIDLANDS.

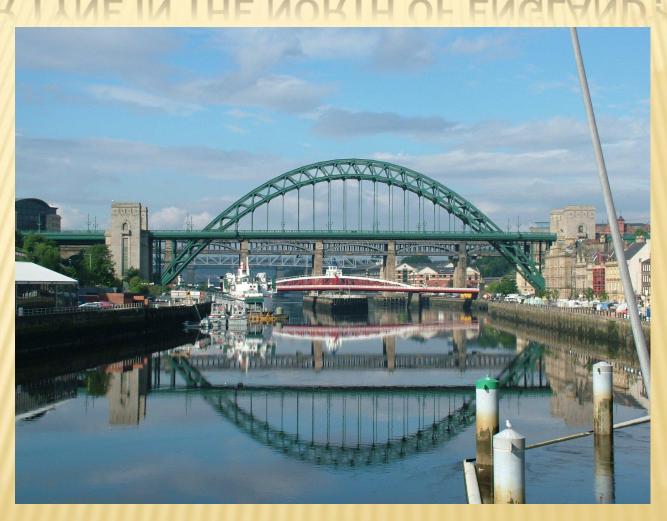


WHICH CITY ARE THESE FAMOUS FOOTBALL STADIUMS IN?





WHERE IS THIS FAMOUS BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER TYNE IN THE NORTH OF ENGLAND?

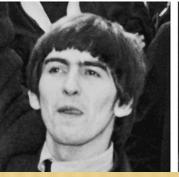


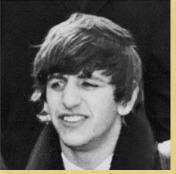
WHICH FAMOUS PORT CITY IN N.W. ENGLAND WAS THE HOME OF THE 'FAB FOUR











GLASGOW IS THE LARGEST CITY IN SCOTLAND BUT IS NOT THE CAPITAL.



THE SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT.

The UK is a constitutional monarchy and has a parliamentary democracy, but the country is also ruled by a monarch (the head of the royal family), currently Queen Elizabeth II. The major political parties are the Conservative Party (right wing) and the Labour Party (left wing).

WHO ARE THESE IMPORTANT FIGURES?





WHAT TO SEE IN BRITAIN

The UK has a lot of history. One of its oldest monuments is Stonehenge, a circle of stones which is 5,000 years old.



WHEN DID HUMANS COME TO BRITAIN?

The oldest human remains, found in caves in Cheddar Gorge, are 9,000 years old.



BEN NEVIS IN N.W. SCOTLAND IS THE HIGHEST MOUNTAIN IN GREAT BRITAIN AT 1,344 M HIGH.



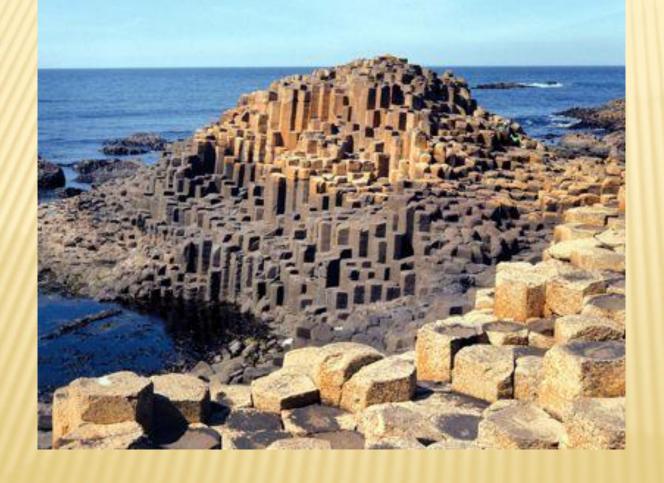
LOCH NESS IS A LONG, COLD AND DEEP LAKE IN N. SCOTLAND. DOES A MONSTER LIVE HERE?



LOUGH NEAGH IN NORTHERN IRELAND IS THE LARGEST LAKE AND COVERS 392 KM²



THE GIANT'S CAUSEWAY ARE BASALT COLUMNS IN N. IRELAND. WAS IT A PATH ACROSS THE SEA TO SCOTLAND?



THE OLDEST UNIVERSITY WAS FOUNDED IN OXFORD IN THE 12TH CENTURY.

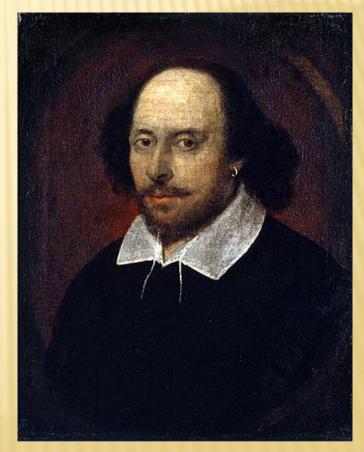


THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE WAS FOUNDED IN THE EARLY 13TH CENTURY BY REBELS FROM OXFORD.



WHO WAS BORN IN THIS HOUSE IN STRATFORD UPON AVON IN 1564?





DO YOU KNOW MORE ABOUT THE UNITED KINGDOM NOW?

- * Try to fill in the gaps in the worksheet to test your knowledge.
- × You can also find a lot of useful information at:
- <u>http://www.projectbritain.com/</u>
- * http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_Kingdom



