

The United Kingdom (UK)

We all live in the UK. The UK is made up of four countries. These are England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. The United Kingdom is an isle and is surrounded by four bodies of water. These are the Atlantic Ocean, the Irish Sea, the North Sea and the English Channel.

Important Topic Vocabulary

continent – This is a massive area of land that contains lots of countries.

country – This is an area of land within a continent.

capital city- This is the main city in a country where the government is located.

ocean – This is a huge body of salt water.

sea – This is a body of salt water not as large as an ocean.

population – This is all the people who live in a country or an area.

landmark – This is a prominent or well-known building or feature that can easily be recognised.

tourist– This is a person who is visiting a place for pleasure or interest, especially when on holiday.

congestion – This is a place that is extremely crowded or blocked with traffic or people.

pollution – These are poisonous or dirty substances that are polluting land, water or air.

Map of the UK



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England

Capital City: London

River: Thames

The River Thames flows into the North Sea.



Tower Bridge



St. Paul's Cathedral



Big Ben

Scotland

Capital City: Edinburgh

River: The Water of Leith

The Water of Leith also flows into the North Sea.



Scott's Monument



Holyrood Palace



Royal Mile

Northern Ireland

Capital City: Belfast

River: Lagan

The River Lagan flows into the Irish Sea.



Stormont Parliament



Titanic Museum

Wales

Capital City: Cardiff

River: Taff

The River Taff flows into Cardiff Bay then into the Bristol Channel.



The Principality Stadium



Millenium Centre

Capital Cities

Each country of the United Kingdom has its own capital city with a river running through it. In each of these capital cities there are many famous landmarks and tourist attractions. There are also universities, cathedrals, hotels, parliament buildings, theatres, shops, stadiums, shopping centres, leisure centres, offices, restaurants and cafes. In all of these cities you can travel by car, bus, train and bike but London is the only one of these capital cities where people travel underground on the tube.