

E5 U6: The UK

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🔊 The UK

Do you know where England is?

England is on an island in the north-west of Europe. Scotland and Wales are on the same island. The island is called Great Britain.

Next to Great Britain, in the west, there is one more island. Northern Ireland is part of this island.

Great Britain together with Northern Ireland is called the United Kingdom, or UK.

England is the largest country. People who live in England are called English. Their native language is English. Most people in England speak it. Over 53 million people live in England. The biggest city and also the capital is London.

Scotland is in the north of England. It is the second biggest country. People who live in Scotland are called Scottish. Some Scottish speak a language other than English: Scottish Gaelic. That's a Gaelic language. The highest mountain in the UK is in Scotland. It is called Ben Nevis and it is 1,345 metres tall. The capital city of Scotland is Edinburgh but the largest is Glasgow.

Wales is to the west of England. Its people are called Welsh and they have their own Celtic language that is also called Welsh. Not everyone in Wales can speak Welsh, but most people can speak English. Welsh is one of the oldest languages in Europe. The capital of Wales is Cardiff. The Welsh flag has a picture of a dragon!

Northern Ireland is the smallest country, and it is not on the island of Great Britain: it is part of the island called Ireland. The people who live here usually speak English. Belfast is the capital of Northern Ireland.



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UK quiz

Which countries are in the UK?

Click on the correct answers.

Scotland

Ireland

Spain

Wales

Italy

England

Norther Ireland



True or False?

The UK is in the east of Europe.

True

False

London is the biggest city in England.

True

False

Great Britain is also called the United Kingdom.

True

False

Everybody in England speaks English.

True

False

Write down the correct answers.

Glasgow is in _____.

Cardiff is in _____.

This is the flag of _____.



Ben Nevis is in _____.

The capital of Northern Ireland is _____.