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Task 1. Read the texts about England and Scotland. Then write **E** before the sentences concerning England, and **S** before those describing Scotland

England	Scotland
<p>England, the largest of the countries on the island of Great Britain, covers a area of over 130,279 sq km.</p> <p>Much of the land in England is flat, forming meadowlands, and less than 10 per cent of the area is covered with woodlands.</p> <p>There are mountains in the north and the west of England. The highest point in England is Scafell Pike, 978 m, part of the Cumbrian Mountains in north-west England. The Pennines, a large chain of hills, run down from the Scottish border to the river Trent about halfway down the country.</p> <p>The Thames, England's best-known river, is also the longest one. It flows through London.</p>	<p>Scotland is situated in the northern part of the United Kingdom. The country occupies about one third of the island of Great Britain and is surrounded by seas on three sides.</p> <p>Scotland is a mountainous country. More than one half of the land is occupied by the Highlands, the most rugged region on the island of Great Britain.</p> <p>The main mountains of Scotland are the Grampian Mountains. The highest peak of the Grampians is Ben Nevis (1,346 m), which is also the highest summit in the United Kingdom.</p> <p>Many of the rivers of Scotland, especially those in the west, are short, with limited commercial importance. The longest river of Scotland is the Tay.</p>

- 1) It occupies the northern part of the United Kingdom.
- 2) Most of its land is mountainous.
- 3) It is the largest of the countries on the island of Great Britain.
- 4) The Highlands is the most mountainous region on the island of Great Britain.
- 5) A small part of its territory is occupied by woods.
- 6) Its highest point is Scafell Pike.
- 7) Its highest peak — Ben Nevis — is the highest summit in the United Kingdom.
- 8) Its best-known river flows through London.

Task 2. Fill in with the article 'the' where necessary

During our unforgettable tour across \_\_\_\_ Europe we visited many countries: \_\_\_\_ France, \_\_\_\_ Belgium and \_\_\_\_ Netherlands in \_\_\_\_ Western Europe; \_\_\_\_ Spain and \_\_\_\_ Italy in \_\_\_\_ Southern Europe; \_\_\_\_ Poland and \_\_\_\_ Slovakia in \_\_\_\_ Eastern Europe.

The country I liked most of all was \_\_\_\_ Italy. I got to know much about its history and culture. During the numerous excursions, I learned that \_\_\_\_ Medieval Italy was a real centre of art.

The capital city of \_\_\_\_ Italy is \_\_\_\_ Rome. It is a city that is full of history. Walking in its streets you can easily imagine \_\_\_\_ ancient Rome of ancient times, because there are a lot of historical evidence of those times.

\_\_\_\_ Rome of today is a modern beautiful city with charming and hospitable inhabitants and a lot of tourists that are eager to do the sightseeing and visit \_\_\_\_ Vatican.

Visiting \_\_\_\_ Italy you can see \_\_\_\_ Alps, one of the most famous mountains in the world. You can swim in \_\_\_\_ Mediterranean Sea or \_\_\_\_ Adriatic Sea as well.

Next year I want to visit \_\_\_\_ South America and go to Buenos Aires in \_\_\_\_ Argentine.

### Task 3. Complete the text with the words from the box

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A \_\_\_\_\_ is a printed publication containing information, news and advertisements. The newspaper \_\_\_\_\_ are usually devoted to social issues, news of business, political events, criminal \_\_\_\_\_, art and sports. In a newspaper there's usually an editor's \_\_\_\_\_ that expresses the personal opinions of writers. Newspapers are most often \_\_\_\_\_ on a daily or \_\_\_\_\_ basis, and they usually focus on one particular geographic area where most of their readers live.