

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School



Subject: Geography

Topic: United Kingdom

Year: 5

What should I already know?

- I live in London, England. This is in the United Kingdom
- The United Kingdom is surrounded by Sea
- These are the four countries that make up the UK and their flags:



Scotland



Northern Ireland



England



Wales

Official Language:
English

What am I going to learn?

The United Kingdom is made up of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales



- England is the most populated country in the United Kingdom
- The capital city of England is London. Other major cities include Birmingham, Manchester, Sheffield, Liverpool, Newcastle and Leeds
- England includes many small islands such as the Isle of Wight and Hayling Island
- The longest river in the United Kingdom is the River Severn. Located in England and Wales, it stretches around 354 kilometres (220 miles) in length
- The longest river found entirely in England is the River Thames, it flows through London and is slightly shorter than the River Severn at around 346 kilometres (215 miles) in length
- The largest lake in England is named Windermere
- Scotland has the tallest mountains in the UK. Highest of all is Ben Nevis, which is nicknamed 'the Ben'. Ben Nevis is so tall you'll find snow on top all year round
- Wales is also famous for its impressive mountains. The highest peak is Snowdon and it's 1085 metres (3,560 feet) high

Vocabulary

- **England**- capital is London
- **Ireland**- capital is Dublin
- **Scotland**- capital is Edinburgh
- **Wales**- capital is Cardiff
- **River**- a large natural stream of water flowing in a channel to the sea, a lake, or another river
- **Seas surrounding the United Kingdom**- North sea, English channel, Irish sea and Atlantic ocean
- **County**- a territorial division of some countries, forming the chief unit of local administration
- **County town**- the town that is the administrative capital of a county
- **Mountain**- A mountain is a large landform that rises above the surrounding land in a limited area, usually in the form of a peak
- **Mountain peak**- top of the mountain
- **Hill**- a naturally raised area of land, not as high or craggy as a mountain
- **Mountain Range**- A mountain range or hill range is a series of mountains or hills ranged in a line and connected by high ground
- **Population**- the number of people in a geographic area
- **Immigration**- the action of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
- **Suburbs**- an outlying district of a city, especially a residential one
- **Trading**- the action or activity of buying and selling goods and services
- **Migrants**- a person who moves from one place to another, especially in order to find work or better living conditions

Useful Websites

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/geography-ks1--ks2-the-united-kingdom/zhtgrj6>

<https://www.oddizzi.com/teachers/explore-the-world/country-close-up/united-kingdom/>