

Key skills

Reception	Year 1
Comments and asks questions about the place they live and of the natural world	Know the names of the four countries that make up the UK
Can talk about some things they have observed such as plants, animals, natural and found objects	Know and name the capital cities of the four countries of the United Kingdom
Shows care and concern for living things and the environment	Know the main differences between a city, town and village
Children know similarities and differences in relation to places	
Children talk about features of their own immediate environment and how environments vary.	

Key vocabulary

Mountain, sea, coast, valley, town, city, village, farm, house, shop, United Kingdom, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, town, city, village, sea, beach, hill, mountain, London, Belfast, Cardiff, Edinburgh, capital city,

Sticky Knowledge

- The United Kingdom is a small group of islands that has played a big role in world history. At one time, the United Kingdom ruled colonies in Africa, the West Indies, China, India and, of course, the United States. Because of this, the English language is spoken all over the world.
- England has been ruled by kings and queens for thousands of years. Today, the monarchy doesn't make political decisions.
 - The UK is made up of four smaller countries: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. They each have their own football and rugby teams, flags and school rules, but the UK's Prime Minister is the man, or woman, in charge. At present, Boris Johnson is the Prime Minister.



England

Capital city: London
 Landmarks: Tower bridge, Buckingham palace, Trafalgar square, Angel of the North, Stonehenge,

Scotland

Capital city: Edinburgh
 Landmarks: Edinburgh castle, Loch Ness, Forth Bridge, Scott Monument



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 What does the Queen do when a sneaky swan snatches her handbag? Gives chase, of course. By car, motorbike, plane and more! Hold on to your hats (and handbags) for a whirlwind trip around the British Isles.



Wales

Capital city: Cardiff
 Landmarks: Snowdonia national park, Snowdon,

The Queens Hat & The Queens Present

A tour across the UK

Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom



Northern Ireland

Capital city: Belfast
 Landmarks: Giants causeway, Giants ring, Dunluce Castle

