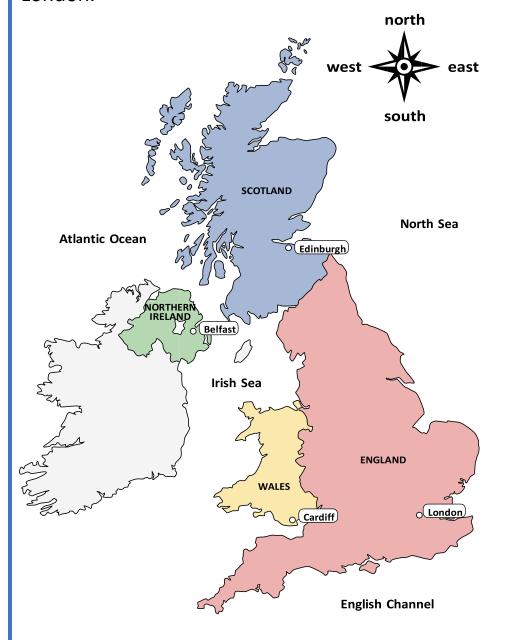
Bright Lights, **Big City**

United Kingdom

The United Kingdom is in Europe. It is made up of England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

The capital city of the United Kingdom is London.



Geographical Features

There are many geographical features in the United Kingdom. Some features are physical and some are human.

Physical features

The landscape of the United Kingdom has many different physical features.





river



mountain

forest

Human Features

Human features are things that are hand-made and include schools, monuments, airports, shops, houses, hospitals parks and roads.





Northampton Cathedral

School

London

As well as being the capital city of the United Kingdom, London is also the capital city of England. It is the largest city in the United Kingdom. Over eight million people live in London. The River Thames is the main river that runs through the city.

Landmarks

A landmark is a feature, such as a building, that can be seen from far away. A landmark can help you to describe your location. London has many famous landmarks.



Houses of Parliament



Tower Bridge





London Eye



The Gherkin



Buckingham Palace



Great Fire of London

The Great Fire of London was a significant event in London's history. It began in a bakery on Pudding Lane on Sunday 2nd September 1666. Many buildings were destroyed, including St. Paul's Cathedral.



The British Monarch

Elizabeth II is the longest reigning monarch of the United Kingdom. Born in 1926 she died in 2022. She became queen in 1952 and reigned for 70 years. She was married to Prince Philip and had a large family.

Her son Charles, now King Charles III, succeeded her as the country's monarch, he was formerly known as The Prince of Wales.







King Charles III

Life in a City



Ariel view of a city

A city is a large, busy settlement where lots of people live and work. A city usually has a cathedral, a river, important buildings and offices where people work. There are lots of things to see and do in a city. There are many shops and restaurants to visit.

A map is a picture that shows an area of land or sea.

Maps

Maps use symbols to show where features are located, such as stations, parking, roads and rivers.



Railway Station



Parking



Road



capital city	A city that is home to the government and ruler of a country.
city	A large town, often with a cathedral.
country	A large area of land that has its own government.
Countryside	An area of land with fields, villages and farms.
landmark	A feature, such as a building or statue which can be seen from far away.
Queen / King	A male or female ruler of a

Glossary

Monarch kingdom.

village A small group of houses and buildings that is usually in the countryside.