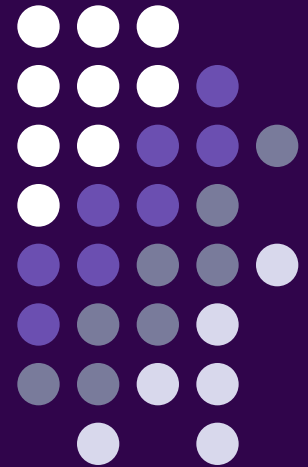


THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND





The UK consists of

- ❑ England (the capital is London)
- ❑ Wales (the capital is Cardiff)
- ❑ Scotland (the capital is Edinburgh)
- ❑ Northern Ireland (the capital is Belfast).

The territory of the UK is about 244,000 square kilometres.

The population is over 56,5 million.

The British Isles are washed
by the :

the Atlantic Ocean in the
west,
the North Sea in the east,
the English Channel in the
south,
the Arctic Ocean in the
north.



The climate is

mild the whole year round. The

Atlantic Ocean, the warm waters
of the Gulf Stream influence the
climate.



People

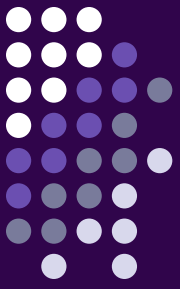


The British a polite and well-mannered people. The English are practical and realistic. The British people are considered to be the world is greatest tea drinkers. Every Englishman is said to be a countryman at heart. The English countryside is many things to many people. It stands for freshness, for leisure, fun and games. The English are reputed to have a good sense of humour. The Scots are said to be a serious people, rather inventive and somewhat mystical. The Welsh are an emotional people but sometimes reticent.

Transport

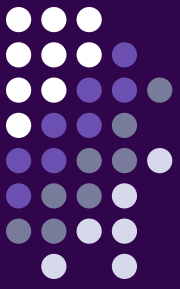


Languages



In Wales only about 19% of the population speak Welsh as their first language, though nearly all of them also speak perfect English. The study of Welsh is now compulsory in many primary and secondary schools. Television and radio services in Wales give about half their time to languages programmes. Most public signs are in Welsh as well as in English. In Scotland 2% of the population speak Gaelic, another Celtic language, as well as English.

Languages



Many immigrants are bilingual. Many Indians, for example, speak both Hindi and English, a lot of Chinese speak both Chinese and English. Many Turks speak English and Turkish. There are number of different regional accents in the UK. Some people in London speak «Cockney», in Birmingham- «Brum», in Newcastle- «Ceordie». There is a variety of English which belongs to no particular region. It is Standart English, which is usually taught to foreigners.

Sights





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