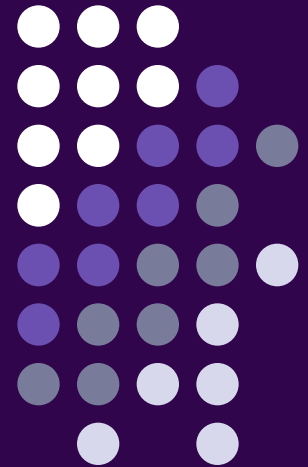
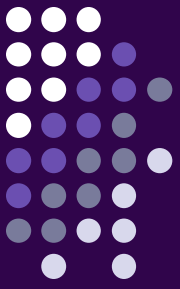


THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND



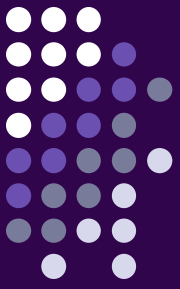
United Kingdom



Great Britain is an unique country with the rich culture and many interesting traditions. Nowadays, the country is famous for its special political system, for its symbols and features.



The capital city of the country is London. It is also a legendary city and many people want to live there because of its special charm, beautiful architecture and unique citizens.



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.

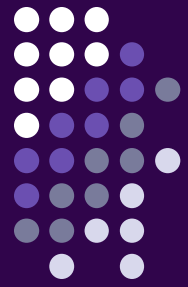
The population is over 56,5 million.

The British Isles are washed
by:

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



London is the capital city of England and the United Kingdom.



London is the most popular region and metropolitan area in the United Kingdom.



There are four main parts in London.

1. The City
2. Westminster
3. The West-End
4. The East-End



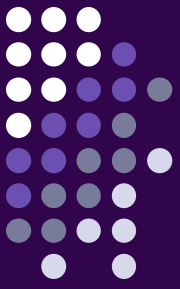
Climate of Great Britain



Great Britain is situated on the islands. It is washed by seas from all the sides. That's why the climate and the nature of Great Britain are very specific. It is not very cold in winter and never very hot in summer. There is no ice on the lakes and rivers in winter. It seldom snows. It rains very often in all the seasons. The weather changes very often. All this is due to the influence of the Gulf Stream.



People



The British are polite and well-mannered people. The English are practical and realistic. The British people are considered to be the greatest tea drinkers. Every Englishman is said to be a countryman at heart. 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.

The United Kingdom is a Parliamentary

monarchy and the Queen is the head of the state. But in practice it is ruled by the government with the Prime Minister at the head. The

British Parliament consists of two chambers: the House of Lords and the House of Commons.

There are three main political parties in Great Britain: the Labour party, the Conservative party and the Liberal party.



Royal Family

Elizabeth the Second



The queen of Great Britain is Elizabeth the Second. Her official residence is the Buckingham Palace. The palace was built in the 18th century. She has one daughter and three sons. Her elder son is Charles. Charles has two sons William and Harry.

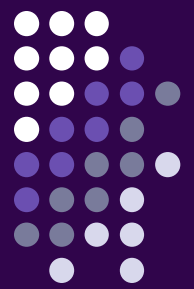




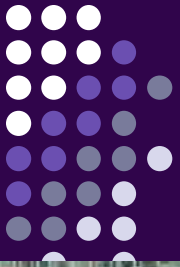
Some people in London speak «Cockney», in Birmingham- «Brum», in Newcastle- «Geordie». There is a variety of English which belongs to no particular region. It is Standard English, which is usually taught to foreigners.



These are famous sights!!!



There are many sights in Great Britain: Tower of London, Big Ben , Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, Windsor Castle, Trafalgar Square, Hyde Park and so on.



Do you like my country ?

Yes, we do!

We should like to visit you country!!!

