



What should I already know?

I should know how to locate the UK using a map and an atlas.

I should know the countries that make up the British Isles.

I should be able to identify some human and physical features of a landscape.

Year 3 - The UK (United Kingdom)

Key Vocabulary and definitions

United Kingdom	Four Nations: England, Scotland, Wales and Republic of Ireland (Northern Ireland)
capital city	An important city where the government of the country meets and works. England = London Scotland = Edinburgh Wales = Cardiff Northern Ireland = Belfast
settlement	A place where people live and sometimes work.
city	The largest settlement where millions of people live and work. They have many different types of houses, restaurants, shops, schools, museums, theatres, places of worship and transport links.
village	A small settlements usually built around a church, some shops, and a school with less than 1000 people living there.
Leicester	The city we live in, it is in the Midlands.
Knighton	This is the suburb our school is in. It is not in the middle of the city, but on the edge or 'outskirts'.
county	An area of the UK that has lots of towns and villages. They have a local government who control things such as education, transport, policing and waste disposal. We live in the county of Leicestershire.
mountain	A raised part of the Earth's surface, that is at least 300m tall.
river	Water that flows from its source (start) across land, to its mouth (where it ends).
human features	Things that have been built or influenced by humans, such as: roads, bridges and houses.
physical features	Natural things that are not made by humans, such as: hills, rivers, mountains and forests.
sea	An area of salty water usually with land on several sides.

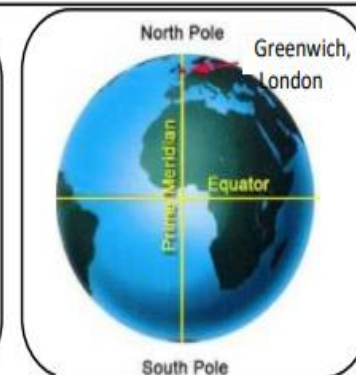
The UK's capital cities



UK facts

It is an island (land completely surrounded by water) that is made up of 4 nations. It is part of the continent called Europe. Each nation has a capital city.

Prime Meridian is found in Greenwich, London. It is an imaginary line that divides the Earth into eastern and western hemispheres. Time zones start here.



North, East,
South, West