

## Year 2

### The United Kingdom: Same Country, Different Lives Knowledge Organiser



#### What will we see on our journey around the UK?

Key Vocabulary	Key Questions and Facts																						
<p><b>United Kingdom:</b> The UK is officially known as the United Kingdom of Britain and Northern Ireland. It includes England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland</p> <p><b>Landmark:</b> A feature of the landscape or area that is easily recognised.</p> <p><b>Great Britain:</b> An island that is made up of England, Scotland and Wales</p> <p><b>Capital City:</b> A capital is a city where a region's government is located</p> <p><b>City:</b> A large town. It is a large and permanent human settlement. Wolverhampton is a city.</p> <p><b>Country:</b> An area of land that is controlled by the same government</p> <p><b>Direction:</b> Tells you where something is in relation to another place</p> <p><b>Coastline:</b> The boundary of a coast, where land meets water</p>	<p><b>Which countries are part of the UK?</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">England Scotland Wales Northern Ireland</p>	<p><b>What are the capital cities of the UK?</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">England - London Scotland - Edinburgh Wales - Cardiff Northern Ireland - Belfast</p>	<p><b>Which bodies of water surround the UK?</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">North Sea English Channel Irish Sea Atlantic Ocean</p>																				
	<p><b>What is the capital city of England?</b></p> <p>London is the capital city of England.</p>	<p><b>What are the four points of a compass?</b></p> <div style="text-align: center;"> </div>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Country</th> <th>Capital</th> <th>National Flag</th> <th>National Flower</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>England</td> <td>London</td> <td></td> <td>Rose</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Scotland</td> <td>Edinburgh</td> <td></td> <td>Thistle</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wales</td> <td>Cardiff</td> <td></td> <td>Daffodil</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Northern Ireland</td> <td>Belfast</td> <td></td> <td>Shamrock</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Country	Capital	National Flag	National Flower	England	London		Rose	Scotland	Edinburgh		Thistle	Wales	Cardiff		Daffodil	Northern Ireland	Belfast	
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	<p>England is the largest country in the UK. London is the capital city. Many parts of England are flat but there is also lots of rural countryside with rolling hills and valleys in the north.</p>	<p>Scotland is a country in the north of the UK. Edinburgh is the capital city. Scotland has large mountains including Ben Nevis, which is the largest in the UK.</p>	<p>Northern Ireland is the smallest country in the UK. Belfast is the capital city. One of the most famous landmarks is Giant's Causeway (natural rock steps mostly hexagonal in shape).</p>	<p>Wales is a mountainous country in the west of the UK. Cardiff is the capital city. Wales has its own language (Welsh). Not everyone there speaks it though.</p>																			

## Additional information



### London Landmarks



### Useful Websites

[BBC Bitesize: Let's explore the UK](#)



[Geography: School Learning Zone](#)



[National Geographic Kids](#)



## Map of the UK



### London

- London: Capital city of England and the United Kingdom. London is a very busy and built-up city with lots of important buildings.
- London population: approximately 9 million people.
- The River Thames flows through London.
- The first monarch to use Buckingham Palace as their official residence was Queen Victoria, in 1837.
- There are lots of different ways of travelling around London. There are train stations, the London Underground (sometimes called the 'tube') and buses.
- London hosted the Olympic Games in 2012 and it was an exciting time for sport in the UK.
- While there are lots of buildings, London also has lots of green spaces in its parks, including Hyde Park and Regents Park.
- The King lives at Buckingham Palace.
- London has lots of tourists, who visit from other places in the country and the world.