

# Year 6 Autumn Term - The United Kingdom

**Population:** about 67 million people live in the United Kingdom (2022)

**Capital:** London with 9 million inhabitants

**Name:** United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

**Government:** Parliamentary Monarchy, Democracy

**Language:** English

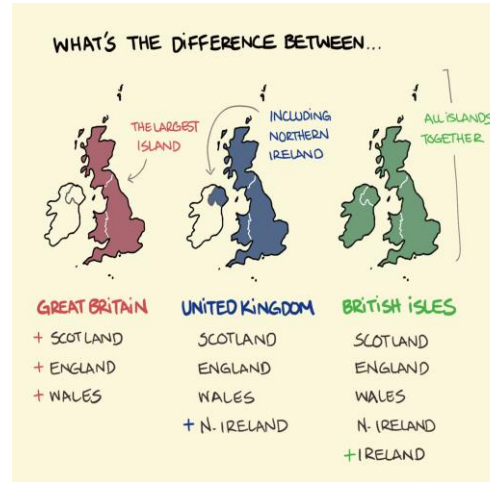
**Religion:** mainly Christians 60%

**Currency:** 1 British Pound (GBP) = 100 penny

**Longest River:** Severn River 354 km (220 mi).

**Highest Mountain:** Ben Nevis (4,411 feet above sea level)

**Climate:** Temperate, with some areas of Scotland being Tundra, and Subarctic



The United Kingdom is divided into four parts: England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.



In 1707, the first political union of the Kingdom of England which then included Wales and Scotland was formed. In 1922 Northern Ireland joined this Union. From 1835 until 1925 the city of London was the largest city in the world. In 1927 the UK was officially proclaimed. From 1973 - 2020, the UK was part of the **European Union**.

## Vocabulary Dozen

hydroelectric	The generation of electricity using flowing water.
landmark	An object or feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen and recognised,
global warming	Global warming refers to long-term shifts in temperatures and weather patterns.
nuclear power	Electric or <b>motive</b> power generated by a nuclear <b>reactor</b> .
power station	An industrial facility for the generation of electric power. Power stations are generally connected to an electrical grid.
renewable energy	Energy from a source that is not <b>depleted</b> when used, such as wind or solar power.
solar power	Solar power is the conversion of energy from sunlight into electricity.
sustainable development	Economic development that is conducted without <b>depletion</b> of natural resources.
tidal power	Tidal energy is power produced by the surge of ocean waters during the rise and fall of tides.
wind farm	An area of land with a group of energy-producing <b>windmills</b> or wind <b>turbines</b> .
energy source	Something such as oil, coal, or the sun, which can be used to provide power.
economy	It's the way people spend money and the way people make money.