









**Key Knowledge:**

- The **United Kingdom (UK)**, is made up of four **countries**, these are:
  - o **England**
  - o **Scotland**
  - o **Wales**
  - o **Northern Ireland.**
- Each **country** has a **capital city**, **flag** and national flower:

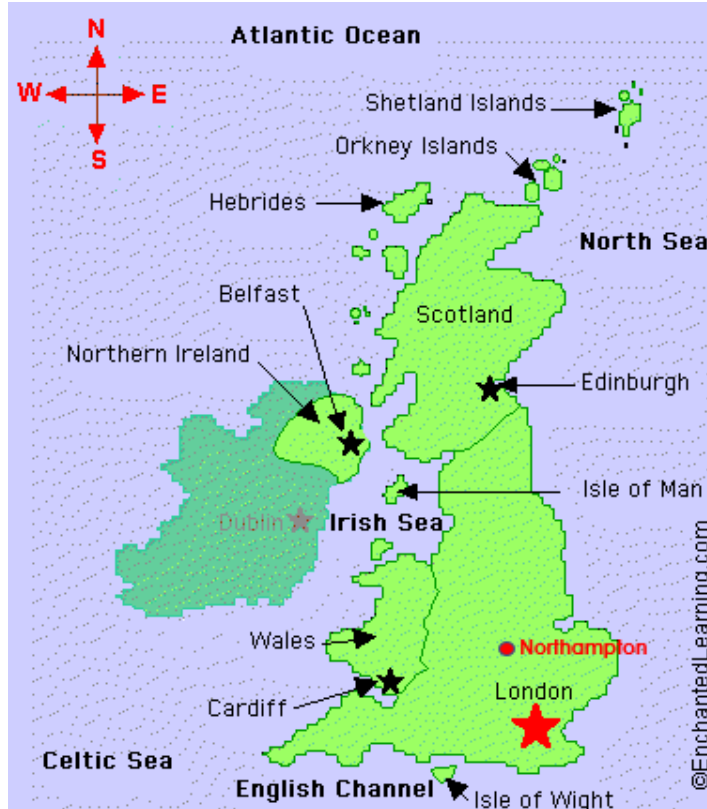
| Country                 | Capital City     | Flag  | National flower  |
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| <b>England</b>          | <b>London</b>    |    | <b>rose</b><br>       |
| <b>Scotland</b>         | <b>Edinburgh</b> |    | <b>thistle</b><br>    |
| <b>Wales</b>            | <b>Cardiff</b>   |    | <b>daffodil</b><br>   |
| <b>Northern Ireland</b> | <b>Belfast</b>   |  | <b>shamrock</b><br> |

- The **UK**, is officially known as the **United Kingdom** of **Great Britain** and **Northern Ireland**.
- The **country** we live in is called **England**.
- We live in a **village** called **Duston** which is part of a **town** called **Northampton**.

**Geographical features or characteristics:**

- The **UK** includes the **island** of **Great Britain**, **Northern Ireland** and many smaller **islands**.
- Great Britain** is an **island**- it is surrounded by seas:
  - o Irish Sea
  - o North Sea
  - o English Channel
- The Republic of Ireland is **not** a **country** of the **UK**.

**Diagrams or Maps.**



**Key Vocabulary:**

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| <b>aerial view</b>         | a view from above.   |
| <b>atlas</b>               | a book of maps.  |
| <b>capital city</b>        | the <b>city</b> where the government sits. <b>London</b> is the <b>capital city</b> of <b>England</b> in the <b>UK</b> .   |
| <b>city</b>                | a large <b>town</b> . <b>London</b> is a <b>city</b> .   |
| <b>country</b>             | an area of land that is controlled by its own government.  |
| <b>England</b>             | a <b>country</b> in the <b>United Kingdom</b> . <b>Duston</b> is a <b>village</b> in <b>England</b> .  |
| <b>flag</b>                | a piece of cloth which can be attached to a pole and which is used as a symbol of a particular <b>country</b> .  |
| <b>island</b>              | a piece of land that is completely surrounded by water.  |
| <b>Great Britain</b>       | an <b>island</b> that is made up of <b>England</b> , <b>Scotland</b> and <b>Wales</b> .  |
| <b>London</b>              | <b>London</b> is the <b>capital city</b> of <b>England</b> and the <b>UK</b> .   |
| <b>map</b>                 | a diagram of an area of land or sea.   |
| <b>Nation</b>              | a large group of people united by culture or the <b>country</b> they live in.  |
| <b>sea</b>                 | a large area of salty water that is part of an ocean.  |
| <b>surrounded</b>          | to be present all around.  |
| <b>town</b>                | A large group of houses with amenities such as shops, schools and factories.   |
| <b>United Kingdom (UK)</b> | The <b>UK</b> , is officially known as the <b>United Kingdom</b> of <b>Great Britain</b> and <b>Northern Ireland</b> . It includes <b>England</b> , <b>Scotland</b> , <b>Wales</b> and <b>Northern Ireland</b> . |
| <b>village</b>             | a small group of houses, perhaps with a few shops, that are often in the countryside. <b>Duston</b> is a <b>village</b> .  |

**Geographical Skills and Fieldwork**






- Find the four **countries** of the **UK** using map skills.
- Observe **aerial** photographs and know what they show.
- Compare the geographical features of the **UK countries** and say how they are similar and different.

**Key Knowledge:**

**Overview**

- London is the **capital city** (and largest city) in both England and the United Kingdom.
- London has lots of famous **landmarks** and is a popular **tourist** attract and many people travel from around the world to visit the city.
- People have lived in **London** for around 2000 years.
- Around 9 million people live in **London**.
- London has many **houses, shops, offices, factories, train stations** and **airports**.
- London also has many **parks** and green spaces.

**Landmarks.**

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| <p><b>Big Ben</b></p>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Big Ben is a famous <b>landmark</b> recognised all over the world.</li> <li>It was built in 1859.</li> <li>Big Ben is the name given to the clock in the tower.</li> <li>The tower is called the Elizabeth after the tower.</li> <li>The tower is part of the Palace of Westminster.</li> </ul>          |
| <p><b>The Palace of Westminster</b></p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Palace of Westminster is where the <b>government</b> meets.</li> <li>It is also known as the Houses of Parliament.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>Buckingham Palace</b></p>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Buckingham Palace in the <b>London</b> home of the King or Queen.</li> <li>Queen Elizabeth II lives there currently.</li> <li>Buckingham palace has 775 rooms and the largest garden in <b>London</b>.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>Tower of London</b></p>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Tower of <b>London</b> is a castle.</li> <li>It was a prison until 1952.</li> <li>It is now where the <b>Crown Jewels</b> are kept.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>London Underground</b></p>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The London Underground is a system of electric trains and <b>train stations</b> which are underground.</li> <li>It allows people to travel all around London easily and quickly.</li> <li>It is the oldest underground railway in the world.</li> <li>It is sometimes called the London Tube.</li> </ul> |

**The River Thames.**

- A **river** is a large, natural stream of fresh water that flows into the sea or a lake.
- The **River Thames** is the longest **river** entirely in England.
- It is 215 miles long and leads to the North Sea.
- London** was built around the **river** as it was an important source of water, travel and trade for people.
- The **River Thames** is a vital waterway for England today.

**Diagrams or Maps.**



**Key Vocabulary:**

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| <b>London</b>        | London is the <b>capital city</b> of England and the UK.   |
| <b>capital city</b>  | the city where the <b>government</b> sits. London is the <b>capital city</b> of England in the UK. |
| <b>River Thames</b>  | the longest <b>river</b> entirely in England.  |
| <b>airport</b>       | a place where aeroplanes land and take off.  |
| <b>landmark</b>      | an object or feature that is easily seen and recognised.   |
| <b>Crown Jewels</b>  | the crown and other jewels worn by the King or Queen.  |
| <b>Government</b>    | the group of people who govern and run a country.  |
| <b>skyscraper</b>    | a very tall building with many floors.   |
| <b>river</b>         | a large, natural stream of fresh water that flows into the sea or a lake.                          |
| <b>house</b>         | a building for people to live in.  |
| <b>park</b>          | a large public garden that anyone can visit and use.   |
| <b>tourism</b>       | travelling to a place to visit <b>landmarks</b> or places of interest.                             |
| <b>tourist</b>       | a person who is visiting places for pleasure or interest, especially when they are on holiday.     |
| <b>factory</b>       | a building where goods are made or put together.   |
| <b>farm</b>          | an area of land used to grow crops or rear animals.  |
| <b>office</b>        | a set of rooms where business takes place.   |
| <b>train station</b> | a place on a railway line where trains stop for people to get on and off trains.                   |
| <b>shop</b>          | a building where things are sold.  |

**Geographical feature: The River Thames**



**Geographical Skills and Fieldwork**

- Use a map to find **London**.
- Find the **River Thames** on a map.
- Use aerial photographs for compare **London** and Northampton.
- Find out about the key features of a **river**.