

Welwyn St Mary's – Geography Knowledge Organiser

The United Kingdom

Phase: KS1

Strand: Locational Knowledge/Human & Physical Geography

What should I already know?

The **country** I live in is called **England**.
I live in Welwyn, which is a **village** in **England**.

- Welwyn is a **village** in **England**.
- **England** is a **country**.
- There are four **countries** in the **United Kingdom (UK)**:
- **England**
- **Scotland**
- **Wales**
- **Northern Ireland**

Each of these **countries** has a **capital city**, **flag** and **national flower**:

Country	Capital City	Flag	National Flower
England	London		rose
Scotland	Edinburgh		thistle
Wales	Cardiff		daffodil
Northern Ireland	Belfast		shamrock

- The **UK**, is officially known as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- The **UK** includes the island of **Great Britain**, Northern Ireland and many smaller islands
- **Great Britain** is an **island**—it is **surrounded** by seas:
- Irish Sea
- North Sea
- English Channel

The Republic of Ireland is not a country of the **United Kingdom**.

Diagrams




Vocabulary

aerial view	a view from above
capital city	the city where the government sits. London is the capital city of England and the UK .
city	a large town. London is a city.
compass point	any of the main points of a compass: north, south, east and west
country	an area of land that is controlled by its own government.
England	a country in the United Kingdom . Welwyn is a village in England .
flag	a piece of cloth which can be attached to a pole and which is used as symbol of a particular country
human geography	features of land that have been impacted by human activity
island	a piece of land that is completely surrounded by water
Great Britain	An island that is made up of England , Scotland and Wales .
London	London is the capital city of England and the UK .
physical geography	natural features of land
sea	a large area of salty water that is part of an ocean
surrounded	to be present all around
United Kingdom	The UK , is officially known as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. It includes England , Scotland , Wales and Northern Ireland.
village	a small group of houses, perhaps with a few shops, that are often in the countryside. Welwyn is a village .

Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

- Find the four **countries** of the **United Kingdom** using map skills
- Compare the **human** and **physical geographical features** of the four **countries** saying how they are similar and different.
- Use Google Earth to start at school and zoom out. What do you notice?
- Use the **compass points** to describe the **countries** of the **United Kingdom** in relation to each other.

Question 1: Here is a map of the UK. Label the countries with their names; England, Scotland Northern Ireland and Wales.	Start of unit:	End of unit:
		

Question 2: Tick the three countries that are in Great Britain.	Start of unit:	End of unit:
England		
Scotland		
Wales		
Northern Ireland		

Question 3: Which of these is not a capital city?	Start of unit:	End of unit:
Welwyn Garden City		
London		
Belfast		

Question 4: Which one word belongs in the gaps: The English Channel, the Irish _____ and the North _____ all surround the United Kingdom.	Start of unit:	End of unit:
Flag		
Sea		
Country		
Village		

Question 5: Match the capital cities to their countries:	Start of unit:	End of unit:								
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