

The Flourish Federation—Knowledge Organiser

Brookfield Infant and Junior Schools



Focus: *Geography*

The United Kingdom

Year 1

Term 3

What? (Key Knowledge)

- I can name four countries in the United Kingdom.
- I can locate the countries within the UK on a map.
- I can identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities.
- I can name and locate its surrounding seas.
- I can recognise landmarks and which country they belong to.
- I can explain whether they are human or physical features.
- I can refer to compass points when discussing the location of countries e.g. Scotland is North compared the England which is South.

ICT Opportunities

- Using Google Earth to find Larkfield. Zoom out until you see the UK, then zoom out until you see Europe. Now zoom out until you can see the world. Discuss what you notice.
- Use Google Maps to explore physical and human features of different countries.
- Explore temperature throughout the year with BBC Weather.
- Draw the United Kingdom on different programming (Purple Mash, Paint) and try to pin or locate the main cities in our country.

What? (Key Vocabulary)

Spelling	Definition
Town	A town is a place where people live and work. It is bigger than a village but smaller than a city.
Countryside	Land that is not in towns or cities. The countryside has lots of farmland and often woodland. Sometimes there are small villages there.
Country	A nation with its own government, rules and borders.
UK	United Kingdom is made up of 4 countries: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
Island	An area of land surrounded by water.
England	A country in the United Kingdom.
Capital city.	The city where the government is.
Island	A piece of land surrounded by water
Landmark	A feature of a place that is easily recognised.
Human feature	Something made by people.
Physical feature	Something that occurred naturally.

Experiences/Wow Moments

- Art and DT: Children to create their own landmark using junk modelling/materials of their choice and present it to the rest of the class.
- Have a vote or debate on which country is the best in the United Kingdom and why?

Each of the countries in the UK have a capital city, flag and the national flower.

Country	Capital city	Flag	National flower
England	London		Rose
Scotland	Edinburgh		Thistle
Wales	Cardiff		Daffodil
Northern Ireland	Belfast	Union Jack or sometimes the Ulster Banner 	Shamrock

What should I already know?

- The country I live in is called England.
- I live in East Malling/Larkfield which is a **vil-lage** and **civil parish**. It is near Maidstone which is a town in Kent.
- What are the similarities between Larkfield and Maidstone?
- England is a country in the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland).
- London is the capital city of England. There are similarities and differences between London and Larkfield. The country I live in is called England.



Key facts

England	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 countryside with rolling hills and valleys in the North.
Scotland	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.
Wales	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.
Northern Ireland	Northern Ireland is the smallest country in the UK. Belfast is the capital city. One of the famous landmarks is Giant's Causeway (natural rock steps in hexagonal shape).

Visuals



The United Kingdom

