

Exploring the United Kingdom: A Geography Assessment

Learning objective: To identify and describe the regions and major cities of the United Kingdom.

Read each question carefully. Use the word bank to help you spell the names of places. Write your answers clearly in the spaces provided.

Finn the dolphin is swimming around the coast of the United Kingdom. He is visiting the four countries that make up the UK. Each country has its own capital city and beautiful landscapes.

Word bank: England · Scotland · Wales · Northern Ireland · London · Edinburgh · Cardiff · Belfast · Region · Capital

1. Name the four countries that make up the United Kingdom. (4 marks)

2. Match each country to its capital city: England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland. (Example: England - London) (4 marks)

3. What is the name of the capital city of England? (1 mark)

4. Describe one way the landscape in Scotland might look different from a city like London. Use the sentence starter: 'Scotland has many...' (3 marks)

5. Finn the dolphin wants to visit a new region. If he is in Wales and wants to go to Northern Ireland, which sea does he need to swim through? (Hint: Think about the water between the two countries.) (3 marks)

6. 6. Extended Writing: Imagine you are taking a trip to visit one of the four UK countries. Which country would you choose? Write three sentences about what you would see there and why it is special. (5 marks)

7. 7. How many countries are in the United Kingdom? (1 mark)

8. 8. Is Belfast the capital of Wales? (Yes or No) (1 mark)

9. 9. Name one major city in England that is not the capital. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a simple map of the United Kingdom. Label the four countries and draw a little star where the capital city of your favourite country is.



Extension challenge: Total: /25. Challenge: Can you find out the name of the highest mountain in the UK and which country it is in?