

Exploring the United Kingdom with Finn the Dolphin

Learning objective: To identify and understand the different regions of the United Kingdom.

Read the story about Finn the Dolphin below. Use the word bank to help you answer the questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Finn the dolphin loves to swim around the coast of the United Kingdom. He sees many different places. The United Kingdom is made of four main parts called regions. First, Finn swims north to Scotland. It has tall mountains and cold, clear water. Next, he travels down to England. England has big cities and green fields. Finn then swims over to Wales. Wales is famous for its hills and beautiful castles. Finally, Finn splashes across the sea to Northern Ireland. This region has a famous giant's path made of stone. Every region is special. Finn uses his map to make sure he visits them all. He likes to see how the land changes from place to place. Whether it is a mountain in Scotland or a city in England, Finn enjoys exploring every part of the UK. He knows that the UK is a wonderful place to live and learn. Can you spot these places on a map too?

Word bank: Region · Scotland · England · Wales · Northern Ireland · Coast · Map

1. 1. What are the four main regions of the United Kingdom mentioned in the story? (Literal) (2 marks)

2. 2. What tool does Finn use to help him find the different regions? (Literal) (1 mark)

3. 3. Why does Finn have to swim across the sea to get to Northern Ireland? (Inferential) (2 marks)

4. 4. How can you tell that the regions have different landscapes? (Inferential) (2 marks)

5. 5. Which region would you like to visit the most and why? (Evaluative) (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a map of the United Kingdom and draw Finn the dolphin swimming near one of the four regions.



Extension challenge: Research one fact about the region you chose in question 5. Write one sentence about it.