

Exploring the Regions of the United Kingdom with Finn the Dolphin

Dive deep into our home: Discover the hidden wonders of the UK's diverse landscapes!

- **The United Kingdom can be broadly split into a Highland Zone in the north and west, and a Lowland Zone in the south and east. The Highland Zone is characterised by older, harder rocks and rugged mountain ranges.**
- **The Lowland Zone typically experiences warmer temperatures and has more fertile soil, which is why it has historically been the primary region for large-scale agricultural farming.**
- **Coastal regions, such as the south-west peninsula, are heavily influenced by the Atlantic Ocean, resulting in a mild, damp maritime climate that supports unique ecosystems.**
- **Urban regions, such as the West Midlands or Greater London, are defined by high population density and complex transport networks compared to the sparsely populated rural areas of the Scottish Highlands.**
- **Geographical regions are not just defined by nature; human activity, such as the legacy of the Industrial Revolution, has shaped the economic identity of regions like the North East.**

Did you know? Did you know? The United Kingdom is made up of four distinct countries, but it is also divided into regions based on their unique geography. For example, the Pennines are often called the 'backbone of England' because they run like a spine down the centre of the country, influencing where people have built their towns and cities for centuries!

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