

# GREAT BRITAIN

### **GEOGRAPHY** General Facts

- The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is situated on the British Isles.
- It consists of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland
- It's situated in the west of Europe.
- It's washed by the Atlantic Ocean and the North Sea.



#### **GEOGRAPHY**

The capital of England is London

 The capital of Scotland is Edinbur



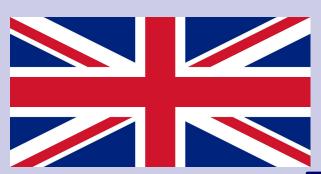
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 The capital of Wales is Cardiff

 The capital of Northern Ireland is Belfast



#### SYMBOLS



The flag of Great Britain is red, white and blue. The British people call it "the Union Jack"



The coat of arms of Great Britain has a crown on the shield, because it's a monarchy. The shield is supported by the **English lion and** by the Unicorn of Scotland.





#### God Save The Queen

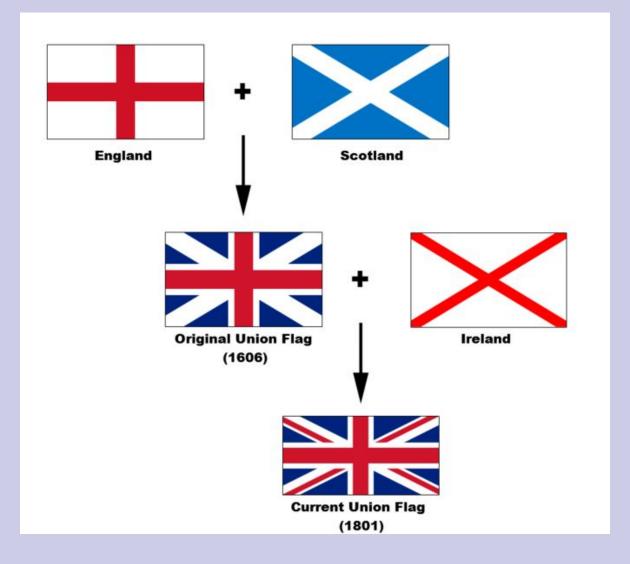
God save our gracious Queen!
Long live our noble Queen!
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the Queen.

Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign.
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the Queen!



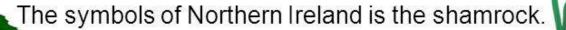
The National Anthem of the UK "God Save the Queen"

#### SYMBOLS





The symbols of England is the red rose.
The symbols of Scotland is the thistle.
The symbols of Wales are the leek and the daffodil.





Symbols and sights





**Taxi** 



The Tube



**Double-deckers** 

**Sights** 

**London Eye** 





Stonehenge

Tower bridge

#### CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS

These customs are really English.

English people like domestic animals. Every family has a pet: a dog, a cat or a bird.



The English are tea-drinkers. They have it many times a day. Some Englishmen have tea for breakfast, tea in lunch time, tea after dinner, tea at tea-time and tea with supper

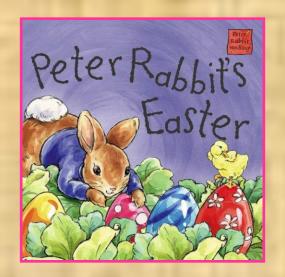


#### HOLIDAYS

Christmas is celebrated all around the world. British people like it too, they have it on the 25<sup>th</sup> of December. The main character is Santa Claus. Children get a lot of presents and sing Christmas carols.



Easter Day is the high point of the year. Easter eggs are important in Britain too. Children believe that Easter Rabbit hides the eggs in the garden. A traditional food is roast lamb. People give each other chocolate eggs that are wrapped in silver paper.



#### HOLIDAYS

Halloween is celebrated on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October, it's already well-known in Russia.



February 14, the day when people send cards or give red roses or chocolates to the person they love



#### HOLIDAYS

 On this day you have to play the joke before 12 o'clock midday, otherwise the joke is on you



• Guy Fawkes" Night is observed on the 5<sup>th</sup> of November when people in Britain light fireworks and burn a straw guy on a bonfire. This celebration is often associated with collecting money for charity

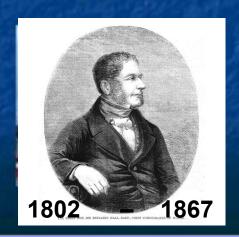




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#### Big Ben

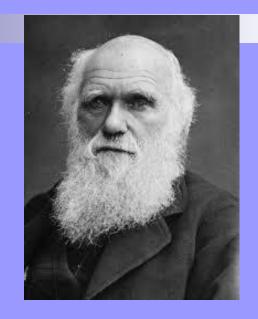
There are two tall towers at the corners of the building and one of them is the Clock Tower. It was built in 1858 by the English people.

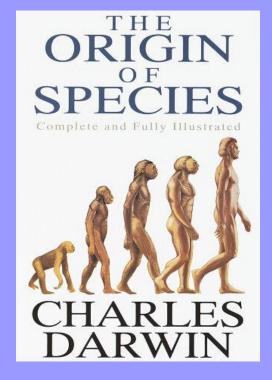




The bell weights 13 tons. The man in charge of the building was Sir Benjamin Hall. He was very tall, so the workers called him Big Ben. It strikes every hour.

Charles Robert Darwin
(1809 – 1882)
was an English naturalist and geologist, known for his contributions to evolutionary theory.

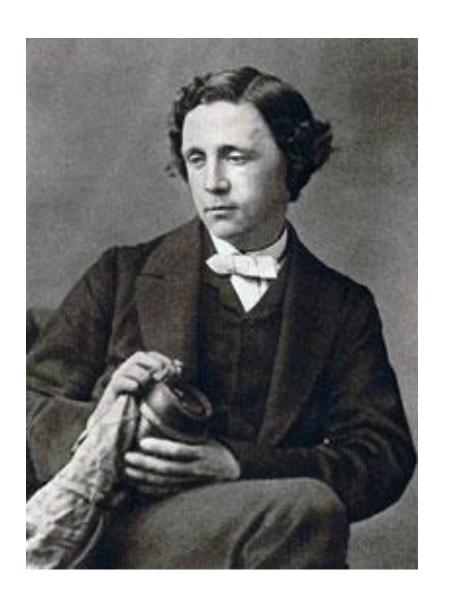






Queen Elizabethobs)

A popular monarch of England (reigned 1558–1603) who brought a period of relative internal stability



## Lewis Carroll

(1832-1898)

-an English writer who wrote two well-known children's stories, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland. His real name was Charles Lutwidge Dodgson

## Daniel Defoe

(1660-1731)

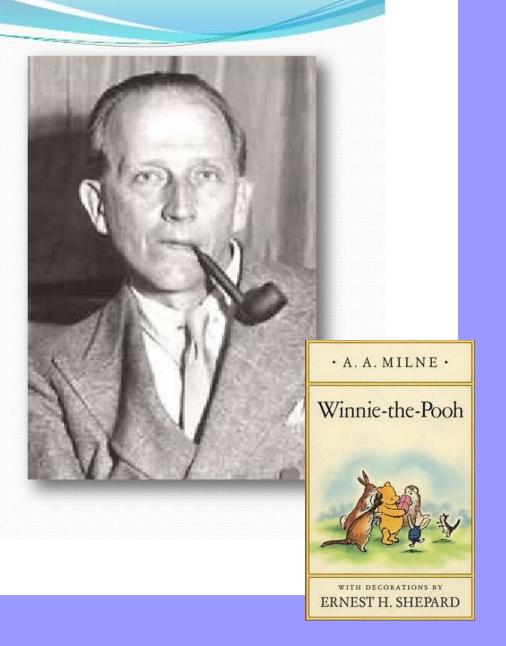
- An English writer, whose most famous novels are Robinson Crusoe and Moll Flanders



#### Alan Alexander Milne

(1882 - 1956)

an English author, best known for his books about the teddy bear Winnie-the-Pooh and for various children's poems. Milne was a noted writer, primarily as a playwright, before the huge success of Pooh overshadowed all his previous work.



William Shakespeare (1564 – 1616)

was an English poet, playwright, and actor, widely regarded as the greatest writer in the English language and the world's pre-eminent dramatist. He is often called England's national poet and the "Bard of Avon".

