

# Bright lights, Big city

London is the capital city of England. It is also the largest city in Britain. The population (how many people live there) is nearly 9 million!

London is situated in the South East of England and it is built around the River Thames.



<b>capital city</b>	A city that is home to the government and ruler of a country.
<b>city</b>	A large town, often with a cathedral.
<b>country</b>	A large area of land that has its own government.
<b>countryside</b>	An area of land with fields, villages and farms.
<b>landmark</b>	An important building or place.
<b>queen</b>	A female ruler of a kingdom.
<b>rural</b>	Used to describe an area that is located in the countryside.
<b>urban</b>	Used to describe an area of land or human settlement where lots of people live and work.
<b>village</b>	A small group of houses and buildings that is usually in the countryside.

# Maps



A map is a picture that shows an area of land and sea. We use maps to locate places.

Position and Direction	Position and Direction
Left	On top
Right	Under
Forwards	Next to
Backwards	Above
Clockwise	In-between
Anticlockwise	Below

# The United Kingdom

<u>Country</u>	<u>Capital city</u>
England	London
Scotland	Edinburgh
Wales	Cardiff
Northern Ireland	Belfast



The United Kingdom is a union of four countries. They are England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Each of the countries has their own capital city.

# London Landmarks



St. Paul's  
Cathedral



Houses of  
Parliament  
and Big Ben



Buckingham  
Palace



10 Downing  
Street



The Gherkin



Tower Bridge



Trafalgar Square



Westminster  
Abbey



The Shard



The Tower  
Of London



The London Eye

# HRH Queen Elizabeth II

Elizabeth Alexandra Mary, later to become Queen Elizabeth II, was born on 21<sup>st</sup> April 1926 in London.

The Queen's birthday is officially celebrated in Britain on the second Saturday of June each year. This special day is referred to as 'The Trooping of the Colour'. The Queen is also known as the British Sovereign.

Elizabeth got married in Westminster Abbey on 20<sup>th</sup> November 1947, when she was 21 years old. Her late husband Prince Philip, also known as the Duke of Edinburgh, was the son of Prince Andrew of Greece. Elizabeth and Philip had four children called Prince Charles, Princess Anne, Prince Andrew and Prince Edward.

