



Our big question: Where am I in this world?



We will be thinking about these questions:

- Where is Bluebell Primary School?
- Who are our neighbours?
- Is Norwich the most important city in the UK?
- How can I find my way around the world?
- Does all water join up?
- What is my favourite kind of weather?
- Is there a time of day that is the rainiest?
- How can I be kind to my world?



The UK is officially known as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The UK includes the island of Great Britain, Northern Ireland and many smaller islands. Great Britain is an island—it is surrounded by seas: The Irish Sea, The North Sea, and The English Channel.

Home Learning Ideas

- Go on trips to the city centre.
- Explore our beautiful Norfolk countryside.
- Explore our surrounding counties.
- Visit our local beaches.
- Check out what is happening in the 2022 Norwich and Norfolk Festival.
- Use collage materials to make the flag of the UK or England, Scotland, Northern Ireland or Wales.
- Use the library, internet, books or chats with friends and relatives to learn facts about our city, county and country.
- Use Google Earth to start at school and zoom out. What do you notice?
- Can you use the compass points to describe the countries of the United Kingdom in relation to each other?
- Can you observe aerial view photographs and discuss what they show? What is the difference between the city and countryside?

Books to read at home

- *How Does Chocolate Taste on Everest?* By Leisa Stewart-Sharpe & Aaron Cushley
- *Poems from a Green and Blue Planet* by Sabrina Mahfouz
- *Paper World: Planet Earth* by Ruth Symons & Bomboland
- *The Big Book of the UK: Facts, folklore and fascinations from around the United Kingdom* by Imogen Russell Williams
- *Big Picture Atlas* by Emily Bone
- *Two Monsters* by David McKee
- *Here We Are : Notes for Living on Planet Earth* by Oliver Jeffers
- *We are Britain!* By Benjamin Zephaniah and Prodepta Das

Further Information

Country	Capital City	Flag	National Flower
England	London		rose
Scotland	Edinburgh		thistle
Wales	Cardiff		daffodil
Northern Ireland	Belfast		shamrock

Key Vocabulary

Atlantic Ocean	The Atlantic Ocean is the second largest of the world's oceans.	Season	A quarter of the year. Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter.
Capital city	The city or town that functions as the seat of government of a country or region.	Solstice	The longest day or the shortest day of the year.
Coast	Where land meets the sea.	Scotland	Scotland is a country that is part of the United Kingdom. It covers the north of the island of Great Britain, with a border with England.
England	England is a country that is part of the United Kingdom. It shares land borders with Wales to the west and Scotland to the north.	Mountain	A large natural elevation of the earth's surface rising abruptly from the surrounding level; a large steep hill.
English Channel	The English Channel is an arm of the Atlantic Ocean that separates Southern England from northern France.	North Sea	The North Sea is sea located between Great Britain, Denmark, Norway, Germany,
Equinox	There are four equinoxes. The longest day (summer), the shortest day (winter) and two days where day and night are equal (spring and autumn)	Northern Ireland	Northern Ireland is a country which is part of the United Kingdom.
Flag	A piece of cloth or similar material used as the symbol of a country.	Union	The action of the joining together of countries.
Hill	A naturally raised area of land, not as high as a mountain.	United Kingdom	The United Kingdom is made up of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
Irish Sea	The Irish Sea separates the islands of Ireland and Great Britain.	Wales	Wales is a country which is part of the United Kingdom.
Island	A piece of land surrounded by water.	Valley	A low area of land between hills or mountains, typically with a river or stream flowing through it.