

The UK

Year 3 Term 2 – Geography

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The UK (United Kingdom) is where we live! It is made up of 4 countries: England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.



The UK has many **rivers** running through it. The start of a river is called the **source**. The Great Ouse runs through Brackley.

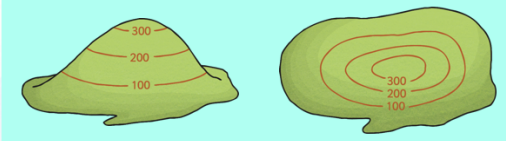
There are 4 **seas** : the English channel, the Irish Sea, the North Sea and the Atlantic

Skills

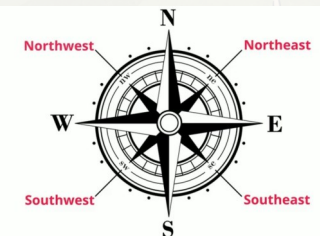
- Suggest useful research questions
- Compare 2 periods of history
- Use topical vocabulary when describing a period of history
- Build on prior knowledge of UK regions by using maps to locate countries of Europe.
- Use standardised map keys when drawing a map.
- Identify hilliest areas and flattest areas as well as decide which rivers they think are the largest.
- Identify key landmarks within a country
- Use the language of 'north', 'south', 'east', 'west' to relate countries to each other.



How is Land Height Shown on Maps?



The brown lines are contour lines. Contour lines join land that is the same height above sea level. On most maps, lines are marked at 5m or 10m intervals. The closer the lines are together, the steeper the slope will be.



Country	Flag	Capital City	Key Landmark	Key Rivers	High Ground
England		London	Stonehenge	Thames	Pennines
Scotland		Edinburgh	Ben Nevis	Tay	Grampian Mountains
Wales		Cardiff	Snowdon	Severn (also flows through England)	Cambrian Mountains
Northern Ireland		Belfast	Giant's Causeway	Bann	Sperrin Mountains

Countries

England is split up into smaller areas called counties. Brackley is in the county of Northamptonshire, sometimes called Northants for short.

Northamptonshire's main town is called Northampton.

Brackley is also near to Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire.

