



Topic: Passport to Europe

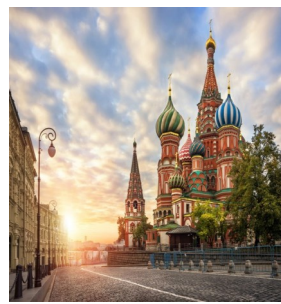
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Background Information

- Britain is separated by France by the Channel
- The United Kingdom consists of 4 countries
- The United Kingdom is divided into counties.
- Can name some of the rivers of the UK
- Can name some places on the coast.
- Can describe different types of settlements.
- Can explain how volcanoes are formed and the cause of earthquakes.
- Can use digital mapping to locate countries..

Diagrams / Timelines / Photos



Interesting Facts

- Closest capital outside the UK would be Brussels 199 miles (320 km). Only slightly further away are Paris, 212 miles (341 km) and Amsterdam 221 miles (356 km).
- There are 50 countries in Europe with a total of more than 742 million people living on the continent.
- European Russia is the western part of the Russian Federation, which is in Eastern Europe. With a population of 110 million people, European Russia has about 77% of Russia's population.
- There are eleven currencies of the European Union as of 2018 used officially by member states.
- Russia is the most populous country in Europe as well as being the largest by area, with a total population of 143,964,709. Other European countries with sizeable populations include Germany (82.2 million), the United Kingdom (66.5 million) and France (65.2 million).
- Mount Elbrus is generally accepted to be the highest mountain in Europe. Its summit is 18,510 feet (5,642 meters) above sea level and it is located in Russia.
- Among these rivers, the *Volga River* is considered as the longest European River, flowing for a distance of 2,294 miles. It travels the length of Russia in a southerly direction and empties into the Caspian Sea.
- The largest city in Europe is Istanbul, Turkey, with a population of 14.7 million people.
- The poorest country in Europe is Moldova.
- The richest country in Europe is Luxembourg.
- With just 800 residents, The Vatican City is the world's smallest country.
- All of Europe is in the Northern Hemisphere.
- Europe's smallest town is Hum in Croatia and has just 21 inhabitants
- Europe has 270 species of mammal, 15% of these are endangered.
- Europe used to have an indigenous lion population.
- Europeans eat 50% of the world's chocolate production.
- Situated almost on the border with Montenegro, Perućica is the last primeval forest in Europe. Also called "the lungs of Europe", this rainforest is a part of Sutjeska National Park.

Key Vocabulary

climate	Condition of temp/wind/rain and heat.
weather	State of atmosphere at a particular place.
equator	A line dividing the earth into northern and southern hemisphere.
tropical	Hot humid conditions
city	A large town
mountains	A large natural elevation of the earth's surface.
ocean	Very large expanse of sea.
vegetation	Plants found in a given area.
Capital City	City or town which is the seat of government
nationality	Belonging to a certain nation.
population	All inhabitants of a particular place.
international	Carried out between nations.

Know how to / Activity

- Locate Europe on a map of the world
- Find the names of and locate on a map the capital cities of France, Italy, Spain, Germany and Russia .
- Answer questions such as, 'Name a country next to Germany?'
- Create a picture in the style of Claude Monet.
- Make a pasta dish.