## Year 1 Unit 2: The United Kingdom

## **Knowledge organiser**

#### Northern Ireland



Belfast is the capital city of Northern Ireland.

Northern Ireland is part of the UK. The Republic of Ireland is not.

There are four countries in the United Kingdom:

- England
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Wales

Scotland



Edinburgh is the capital city of Scotland.

**Edinburgh Castle** 



There are large mountains and lakes in the Highlands.

Edinburgh has a famous castle.

### Wales

The oldest language in the UK is Welsh (Cymraeg).



Cardiff is the capital city of Wales.

Snowdon is the highest mountain in Wales.



'United' means joined together,
'Kingdom' means a country ruled by a king or queen.

The Union Jack is the national flag of the UK. It is made up of the individual flags of England, Scotland, and Northern Ireland.

Each country has its own

flag.



**England** 



London is the capital city of England.



England is the biggest country in the United Kingdom.

The tallest mountain in England is called Scafell Pike.

# Useful vocabulary

Word	Definition
Ben Nevis	The highest mountain in Scotland.
Belfast	The capital city of Northern Ireland.
capital city	The most important city in a country.
Cardiff	The capital city of Wales.
countryside	The countryside is land that is not in a town.
Cymraeg	The Welsh language.
Edinburgh	The capital city of Scotland.
England	A country in the United Kingdom.
flag	A piece of material with a coloured pattern or shape on it, often used as the symbol of a country or organisation.
haggis	A Scottish food made from some of the inner parts of a sheep mixed with oatmeal.
Highlands	Mountainous country, especially in Scotland.

Word	Definition
lakes (lochs)	A lake is a large area of fresh water with land all around it. A loch is a lake in Scotland.
landmark	A landmark is a large building or object that you can easily see from a distance.
London	The capital city of England.
mountains (munros)	A mountain is a very high hill.
Mount Snowdon	The highest mountain in Wales.
Northern Ireland	A country in the United Kingdom.
Scafell Pike	The highest mountain in England.
Scotland	A country in the United Kingdom.
union	The joining of things together.
Union Jack	The flag of the United Kingdom.
United Kingdom	Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
Wales	A country in the United Kingdom.