

Where in the world are we?

The country we live in is called England.

At St. Catherine's many of us live in a **town** called Horwich, which is part of a bigger **town** called Bolton. Bolton is in **England**.

England is a **country**

There are four countries in the United Kingdom (UK):

England
Ireland
Scotland
Wales

Each of these countries has a **capital city**, flag and national flower.

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

The United Kingdom

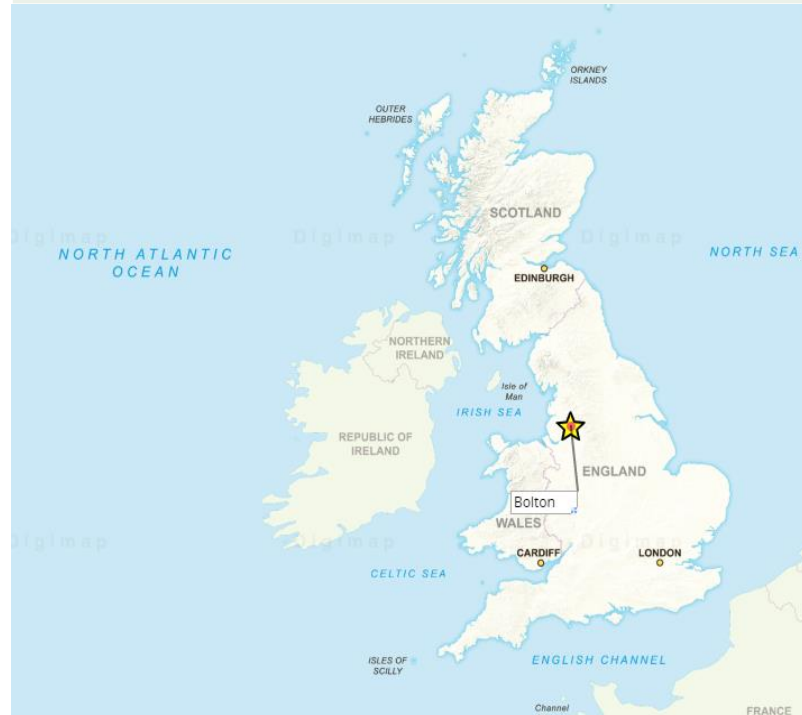
The UK is officially known as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The UK includes the **island** of **Great Britain**, Northern Ireland and many smaller **islands**

Great Britain is an **island**. It is surrounded by seas:

- to the south by the English Channel, which separates it from continental Europe.
- to the east by the North **Sea**.
- to the west by the Irish **Sea** and the Atlantic Ocean

The republic of Ireland is **not** a country of the United Kingdom



Key Vocab

Country	An area of land that is controlled by its own government
England	A country in the United Kingdom
Great Britain	An island that is made up of England, Scotland and Wales
United Kingdom	The UK is officially known as the United Kingdom of Britain and Northern Ireland. It includes England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland
Town	A thickly settled area that is usually larger than a village but smaller than a city
City	A large town. Manchester and London are cities
Capital city	The city is where the government sits. London is the capital city of England and the UK
Island	A piece of land that is completely surrounded by water
Sea	A large area of salty water that is part of an ocean
Monarch	A person who reigns over a kingdom or empire

London

London is the **capital** of and largest city in England and the United Kingdom

The River Thames flows through London.

Buckingham Palace is The Queen's official London residence

The first **monarch** to use Buckingham Palace as their official residence was Queen Victoria, who moved there in 1837

London



London Landmarks

The London Eye



Buckingham Palace



St. Paul's Cathedral



Big Ben



The Tower of London

