

01 Country and people

SECTION A Quiz

Choose the correct answer.

- 1 What is the common internet domain address for Britain?
 - A .br
 - B .gb
 - C .uk
- 2 Which of these is not an acceptable short name for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland?
 - A England
 - B Great Britain
 - C the United Kingdom
- 3 Which city is not in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland?
 - A Belfast
 - B Cardiff
 - C Dublin
- 4 Which is the smallest of the four nations?
 - A Ireland
 - B Scotland
 - C Wales
- 5 Which of the following figures is not associated with Britain?
 - A Britannia
 - B John Bull
 - C Uncle Sam
- 6 Which of the four nations' flags is not incorporated in the flag of the UK?
 - A Ireland
 - B Scotland
 - C Wales
- 7 By what name is the UK flag often known?
 - A The Britannia
 - B Old Glory
 - C The Union Jack
- 8 What proportion of the population of Britain lives in England?
 - A more than 80%
 - B about 60%
 - C less than 40%
- 9 What proportion of the population of Britain answered 'white British' to the ethnic group question in the 2001 census?
 - A more than 80%
 - B about 60%
 - C less than 40%
- 10 What is the largest minority ethnic grouping in Britain?
 - A African
 - B Caribbean
 - C south Asian
- 11 A surname beginning with 'Mac' or 'Mc' is understood to be ...
 - A ... Scottish or English.
 - B ... Scottish or Irish.
 - C ... Scottish or Welsh.
- 12 In which of the following does a 'Great Britain' team compete?
 - A cricket
 - B the Olympics
 - C rugby union
- 13 Historically and culturally speaking, which country may be divided into 'Lowland' and 'Highland'?
 - A England
 - B Scotland
 - C Wales
- 14 Of which country is St. David the patron saint?
 - A England
 - B Scotland
 - C Wales

SECTION B Summary

Put the following clauses and phrases into the correct order to complete a paragraph summarizing parts of chapter 1 of *Britain*. The first and last sentences are provided.

In the group of islands lying off the north-west European coast ...

- 1 Historically, it has also been the richest and most powerful.
- 2 Many of these people feel British
- 3 is never short of supporters
- 4 which are often referred to as 'the four nations'.
- 5 For both these reasons,
- 6 whose roots lie in the Caribbean or in southern Asia.
- 7 That is why the Pakistani or Indian cricket team,
- 8 there are four recognized countries
- 9 There are also millions of other people in England
- 10 or the Irish football team
- 11 England is by far the largest of these countries.
- 12 many Scottish, Irish, and Welsh people live in England.
- 13 but they do not feel especially English.
... when they are playing in England.

SECTION C British words and phrases

Find the word or phrase in chapter 1 of *Britain* which is used to mean or describe:

- 1 a platform used for public speaking and presenting prizes
- 2 the flag of England
- 3 a citizen of the UK
- 4 Britain or England, with the white cliffs of the south coast in mind
- 5 the umbrella organization for employees in the UK
- 6 the organization which controls the supply of money in the UK
- 7 the Caribbean, especially the English-speaking parts of it

