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What is an Archipelago?

An archipelago is a group or chain of islands that could have been formed in many ways. It could be due to volcanic eruption, tectonic action, sedimentary deposits or rising sea levels.

Archipelago



Italian for 'chief' or 'principle'

Greek for 'Pond' 'Pool' or 'Gulf'

Where in the World are the British Isles?



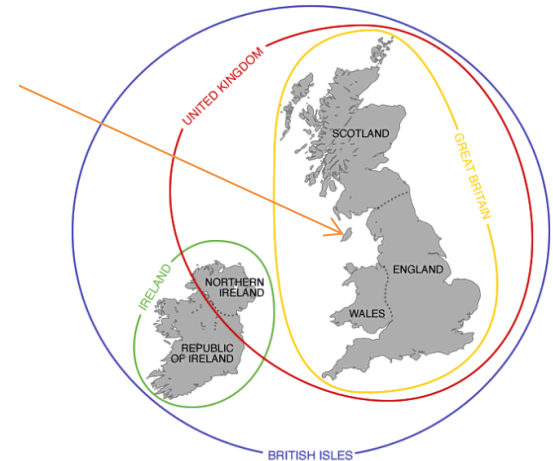
The British Isles are located in the Northern Hemisphere in the continent of Europe.

They are an archipelago positioned northwest to mainland Europe. The English Channel separates The British Isles from mainland Europe.

What's the Difference?

Grouped nations	England	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	Republic of Ireland
GB	X	X	X		
UK	X	X	X	X	
BI	X	X	X	X	X

The Isle of Man is a part of the British Isles but not the United Kingdom. The Island is a self-governing British Crown Dependency - as are Jersey and Guernsey in the Channel Islands - with its own parliament, government and laws



What is a Physical Feature?

A physical feature can be defined as any **landform** that has been **shaped or created by natural processes** such as **erosion** and **weathering**.



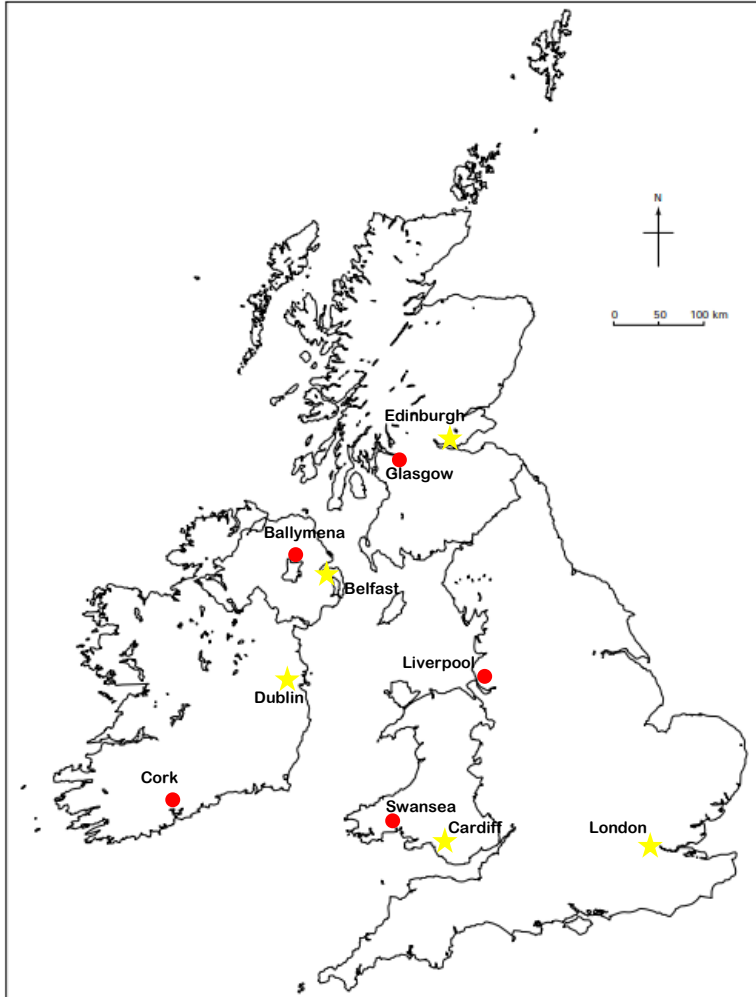
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Human Features of the British Isles

★ Capital City

● Large City



Physical Features of the British Isles

■ Upland Region

— River

A – Northwest Highlands

G – Cambrian Mountains

B – Southern Uplands

H – Dartmoor

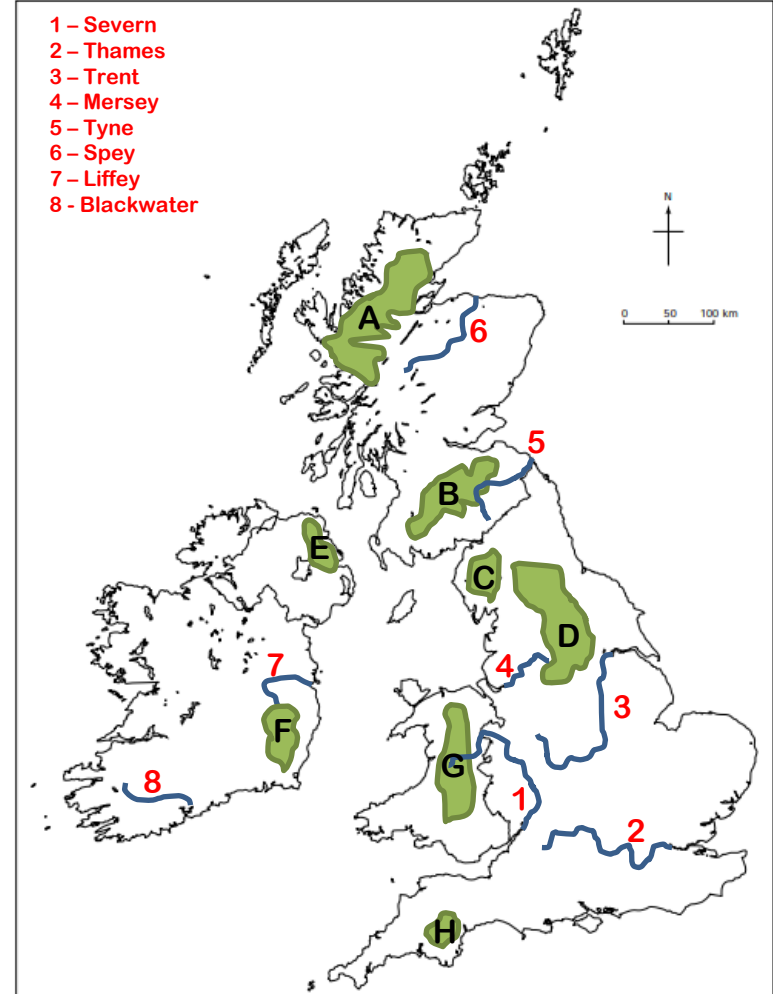
C – The Lake District

D – The Pennines

E – Antrim Mountains

F – Wicklow Mountains

- 1 – Severn
- 2 – Thames
- 3 – Trent
- 4 – Mersey
- 5 – Tyne
- 6 – Spey
- 7 – Liffey
- 8 – Blackwater

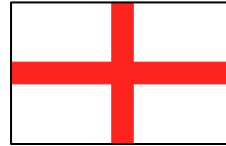




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Flags of the British Isles



England



Wales



Scotland



Republic of Ireland



Northern Ireland



Isle of Man