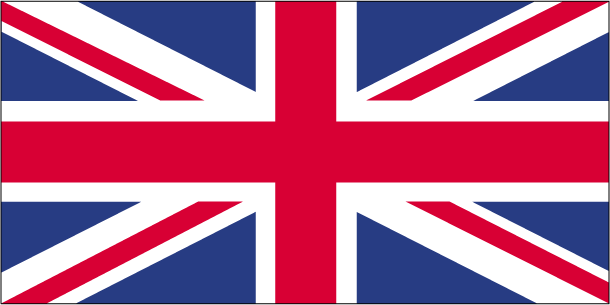
ENGLAND



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**ENGLAND**

England is the land of ancient druid circles, castles and palaces. It is a country where they love soccer and rugby. It is known for its old, famous buildings such as Big Ben, Buckingham Palace and the Tower of London.

England is country on the North West side of Europe. The capital city is London. The population of England is about 50, 000, 000 people. England covers about the same amount of land as Oregon. England’s major cities include London, Birmingham and Liverpool.

   
 Big Ben Tower of London

**HISTORY**

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| 1837-1901 | 1914-1918 | 1939 – 1945 | 1979 | 1997 |
| Queen Victoria reigned. She was the longest ruling queen of England. | Britain and allies (Also US) are at war with Germany.  World War 1 | Winston Churchill leads Britain and their allies to victory in World War 2 | Margaret Thatcher is elected as the first female prime minister | England gives Hong Kong back to the Chinese |

QUEEN VICTORIA REIGNS

Queen Victoria’s rule was very famous. It became known as the Victorian Age. Queen Victoria got married to her cousin, Prince Albert when she was only 17 years old. She had four sons and five daughters. Victoria was very traditional so her husband shared the responsibility of running the country even though he was not the king.   
  
  
Queen Victoria

**GOVERNMENT**

The government in England is a Parliamentary Democracy.

A democracy is when citizens vote for their leader. The leader in England is called the Prime minister. The current Prime minister is David Cameron.

The parliament makes decisions on running the country and decides the laws. At parliament a great many people come together to discuss the laws. At Westminster, in London, there has been a parliament since the 13th century.

England is also a monarchy. A monarch is a queen or king. The queen of England is Queen Elizabeth II.

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 Westminster Queen Elizabeth II

**ECONOMY**

In England the main industries are: banking and finance, steel, transport equipment, gas, oil and tourism.

England exports many products around the world including: beverages, fuels, manufactured goods, military equipment and machinery.

England imports are mostly manufactured goods, machinery, fuel and food.

In England the currency is British pounds. 1 pound = $1.60 US.

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English money

**FAMOUS PEOPLE**

**THE BEATLES**

The Beatles were a rock band from Liverpool, England. They formed in 1960 and they sold many albums and were very successful. They were one of the most successful rock and roll bands of all time. The members of the band were: John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr.

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John, Paul  
George, Ringo

**WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE**

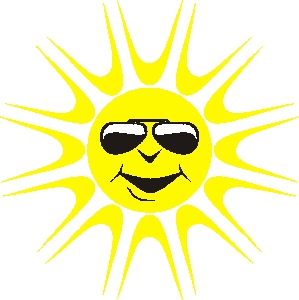
William Shakespeare was born on April 23rd, 1564 in Stratford, England. He was married at only age 18 in 1582. He had a daughter named Susanna and two twins named Judith and Hamnet. He had a very successful career in acting and poetry. Later he built his own theatre and he performed for many people, including the king. He was a very famous person who entertained everywhere.



Geography

There are many hills in England and there is not a lot of flat land. Some of the mountains can reach up to 3,000ft above sea level. Many of the land forms are very rugged so people cannot farm. The land is very rocky and the soil is sometimes very thin.

In England the summers are hot and the winters are cold. July is about the warmest month in England, February is usually the coldest month in England. Sometimes England receives a lot of rain up to about 130in. Also they get a lot of sun shine.



Sun shine

Rain storm