AN INTRODUCTION TO BRITAIN

**1. Make sure you know the following words.**

a temple a farmland

an island the Queen

a hill the Prime Minister

a lake the Houses of Parliament

a calendar foreign

**2. Watch and complete the table.**

THE UNITED KINGDOM

Official name: The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

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| **Country** | **Population(millions)** |
| England |  |
| Scotland |  |
| Wales |  |
| Northern Ireland |  |
|  | Total: about 58.5 mln |

**Capital**:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Population**:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Head of Government**:\_\_\_\_\_

Lives at: 10 Downing Street

**Head of State**:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Lives in: Buckingham Palace

**3. Match the cities to the notes.**

Edinburgh once a very important port and the home of the Beatles

York the capital of Scotland with its old castle

Stratford-upon-Avon has a beautiful cathedral and narrow streets

Liverpool famous for the universities and bicycles

Cambridge and Oxford the birthplace of William Shakespeare

**4. Complete the sentences.**

a) Towns and cities are important, but the countryside is important too. Over 70 percent of the land in Britain is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

b) Britain has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ National Parks.

c) The Lake District is in north-west of England. It has beautiful \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_.

d) Over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ foreign tourists come to Britain every year.

e) The Stonehenge. What is it? A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

f) Welsh people don’t just speak English. About 20 percent speak \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, too.

g) Britain is an island. There are over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.