



# London

the capital of the  
United Kingdom of  
Great Britain and  
Northern Ireland

# Big Ben

- It's a clock in the tower and it is a big bell.
- You can hear it every hour.
- People are allowed to get inside the Tower so that they can see the work of the clock.
- There is no lift and there are three hundred and forty steps (340).
- It weighs 13.5 tons.



# The Houses of Parliament

- It is a place where the British Government sits.
- It consists of three parts: the Royal Apartments, the House of Lords and the House of Commons.



# The Tower of London

- It has a long history. In the past it was a fortress, a prison, a castle and a zoo.
- It was built to protect the city from the enemies. There are a lot of ravens at this place.
- There is a legend that without them the Tower will fall.
- Nowadays this building is a very popular museum.



# Westminster Abbey

- Westminster Abbey is a symbol of England. It stands not far from the Houses of London. It was built by King Edward in 1065.



# Buckingham Palace

- It's the London home of the Queen.
- Buckingham Palace was built for John, first Duke of Buckingham, between 1702 and 1705.
- Changing the guards takes place there.
- The palace is open to public.



# Trafalgar Square

- It is the central square of London and traditional place for people to meet.
- All sorts of protest meetings are held there.
- The statue of national hero Admiral Nelson stands there.



# Tower Bridge

- It is the oldest and famous bridge across the Thames.
- Originally it was made of wood by the Romans, but it was often burnt down.
- Later it was made of stone.
- Finally it was rebuilt and made of concrete.





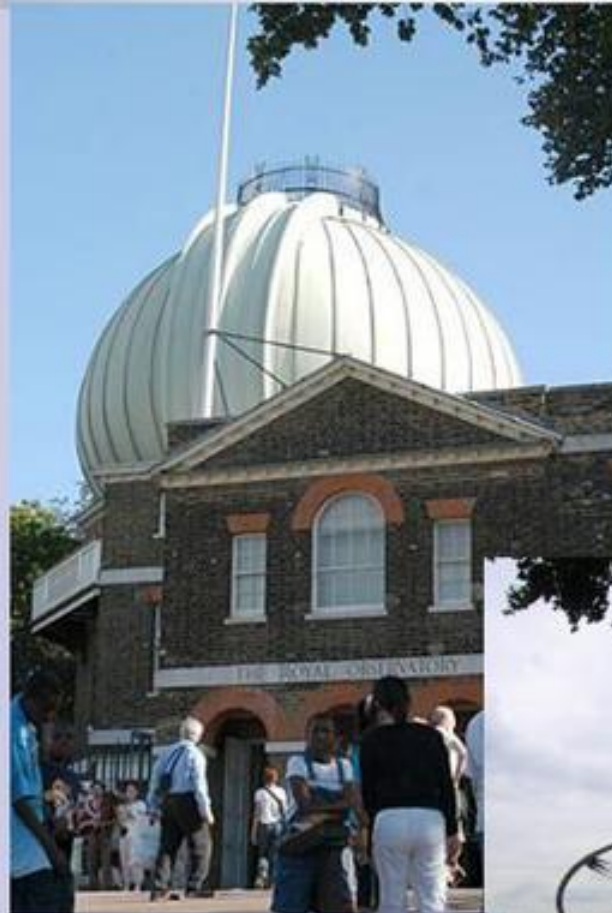
# Oxford Street

- It is the biggest shopping street in London.
- There are 548 shops in Oxford Street.
- Each Christmas the street is decorated with festive lights.
- In mid- to late November a celebrity turns on the lights and they remain on until 6 January



# The Greenwich Observatory

- It is the centre of time and space.
- The prime meridian of the Earth, which divides east from west passes there.



# Madame Tussaud's

- It is a famous museum of wax figures.
- They have wax figures of all the famous people in the world.



# The London Eye

- It's the biggest observation wheel in the world.
- It is situated on the banks of the River Thames in Central London
- It's height is 135 meters.



## Choose the right variant:

**1) The Tower of London is:**

- a) a prison*
- b) a museum*
- c) a shop*

**2) Big Ben is the name of:**

- a) the clock tower*
- b) the palace*
- c) the church*

**3) Which bridge is in London?**

- a) Brooklyn Bridge*
- b) Tower Bridge*
- c) Boston Bridge*

**4) The Queen lives in:**

- a) the Tower of London*
- b) the Houses of Parliament*
- c) Buckingham Palace*

## True or false:

- Buckingham Palace is the official residence of the Queen.
- Big Ben is a beautiful London museum.
- Parliament consists of two Houses.
- Nelson's column is situated on Trafalgar Square.
- Changing the guard takes place near the Tower Bridge.
- The Tower of London used to be a palace, a fortress and a prison.

**Thank you  
for your attention!**