

City Facts

UNITED KINGDOM //

51° 31' 10" N 0° 7' 40" W

LONDON

(*lʌndən*) | Main Airport Code: **LHR** | Currency: **£ POUND STERLING** | Time Zone: **GMT**

“The Big Smoke”

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE
ENGLISH

MORE THAN
300

LANGUAGES
ARE SPOKEN
IN LONDON'S
SCHOOLS

Big Ben's
chime is in
the key of **E**

IT IS ILLEGAL
TO DIE IN THE
HOUSES OF
PARLIAMENT



LANDMARK
THE
ELIZABETH
TOWER

Previously
called
“The Clock
Tower”

**BIG BEN
IS THE
BELL,
NOT THE
CLOCK
TOWER**



Population:

8.3 MILLION
PEOPLE
(2012)

BY 2050, LONDON'S
POPULATION IS SET
TO INCREASE MORE
THAN A THIRD



LONDON BUSES USED TO NOT ALWAYS
BE RED; DIFFERENT ROUTES USED TO
HAVE DIFFERENT COLORS

Average Low

2-6 °C
(35-42 °F)

AVERAGE
TEMPERATURE

Average High

14-22 °C
(57-71 °F)

TO PASS THEIR EXAM,
LONDON CAB DRIVERS
STUDY STREET NAMES
FOR 2-4 YEARS

THERE ARE OVER
21 UNDERGROUND
RIVERS IN LONDON



Read the poster. Where can you find it?

1. in a travel guide
2. in a scientific magazine
3. in a library
4. in a compilation of poems

2. What we can't learn from the poster:

- the current official name of Big Ben
- the average temperature in London
- the number of cabs in London
- the number of underground river in London
- the prices in museums
- the names of the biggest shops in London
- the system of education

3. Read the sentences and write T (True), F (False), NS (Not Stated):

- a) More than 300 languages are spoken in London's school. T/F/NS.
- b) All London buses are red. T/F/NS.
- c) Average High temperature in London 16-35 °C. T/F/NS.
- d) There are 21 underground rivers in London. T/F/NS.
- e) To pass their exam London cab drivers should pay. T/F/NS.
- f) By 2050 the population of London will significantly decrease. T/F/NS.
- g) The previous name of Elizabeth Tower is “The Clock Tower”. T/F/NS.
- h) There are two official languages in London: English and Spanish. T/F/NS.
- i) It is illegal to sleep in the Houses of Parliament. T/F/NS.