

This is Britain

What is great in Britain?

final task

You went to Britain on a traineeship last summer and have been asked to write an article about your experience in the school magazine. First, you present the content of your article and your choice of illustrations to the editorial team; then, you write the article.

- Focus on writing:**
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Key words

- Nouns**
- the British = Britons = the Brits (/brɪt/)
 - the Scottish = the Scots / a Scotsman
 - Union Jack = Union flag
 - MP = Member of Parliament / (pɑːlɪmənt/)
 - PM = Prime Minister
 - national anthem = hymne national
 - monarchy / (ˈmɒnɜːki/)
 - democracy
 - government
 - heir / (eɪ) = next in line
 - customs = traditions
 - success = failure
 - figurehead = figure emblématique
 - royal family

- Verbs & expressions**
- succeed / (səkəˈdiː)
 - be successful
 - climb / (klaɪm) / the social ladder
 - close / (brɪdʒ) the gap
 - do one's best
 - blend in = be assimilated
 - fit in = integrate
 - be torn (between); être déchiré (de part)
 - share / (pɑːrɪʃ)
- Adjectives**
- prejudice
 - tolerance
 - Welsh; galleis
 - Scottish / Scotch
 - multicultural
 - wealthy - underprivileged
 - determined
 - innovative
 - vibrant / (vəˈbrɪənt) / animé

SPECIAL BAC

- London today**
1. Describe this scene photographed on the banks of the River Thames in London. Imagine on what occasion this photo was taken.
 2. What elements attract your attention? What contrasts are underlined?
 3. In what ways does this correspond to your view of London today?

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