

✓ **Обратите внимание: работа должна быть выполнена письменно в рабочей тетради. На проверку следует выслать фотоотчёт. В теме письма укажите АНГЛ_№ задания (1 или 2)_ Ваша фамилия.**

1. Read and translate the text (Part I) and answer the questions.

THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (Part I)

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is situated on the British Isles. It consists of four parts: England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. The country is surrounded by seas on all sides and is separated from the continent by the North Sea and the English Channel. The territory of the United Kingdom is about 244 thousand square km. The population is over 57 million. About 80% of the population is urban.

The capital of the country is London. It is a political, economic and cultural centre. London is the largest city in Europe and one of the largest cities in the world. It is situated on the river Thames. The city is very old and has more than 20 centuries old history. Traditionally it is divided into several parts and they are all different from each other: the West End, the East End, Westminster and the City.

The surface of Great Britain varies greatly. The northern and western part of the country is mountainous and is called the Highlands. The highest mountain in Great Britain is Ben Nevis. All the rest (south, east and centre) is a vast plain which is called the Lowlands. The mountains are not very high. The rivers are not long. The most important of them are the Severn and the Thames. There are many beautiful lakes in the mountainous parts of the country.

The mountains, the Atlantic Ocean and the warm waters of the Gulf Stream influence the climate of Great Britain. The weather in Great Britain is very changeable. A fine morning can change into a wet afternoon and evening and the wrong side out. The English people say: "Other countries have a climate; in England we have weather". The English also say that they have three variants of weather: when it rains in the morning, when it rains in the afternoon or when it rains all day long.

The best time of the year in Great Britain is spring (of course, it rains in spring too). The two worst months in Britain are January and February. They are cold, damp and unpleasant. Summer months are rather cold and there can be a lot of rainy days. So, most people who look forward to summer holidays plan to go abroad for the summer.

1. Where is the UK situated and what parts does it consist of?
2. What is the territory of the United Kingdom?
3. What is the surface of Great Britain?
4. What is the population of the country?
5. What are the Highlands and the Lowlands?
6. What are the most important rivers?
7. Is the weather changeable in Great Britain?

2. Make true sentences. Did you know these things before?

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| The | highest mountain | | | Titicaca, in Peru. |
| | smallest continent | | | Chang. |
| | largest ocean | | | the South China sea. |
| | biggest sea | | | K2, not Everest. |
| | longest river | in the world | | Mohammed. |
| | highest lake | | | Bask, in Spain. |
| | largest active volcano | | | the Nile. |
| | most common family name | | | Australia. |
| | most common first name | | | Mauna Loa, in Hawaii. |
| | most difficult language | | | the Pacific. |

1. The highest mountain in the world is K2, not Everest.

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