



The River Thames is the largest river that is entirely in England, and it is 346,000 metres long. It flows through many important towns and cities, including London. London has relied on the Thames for hundreds of years for washing, farming and industry.



The coastline of England is 8982 km with a mixture of pebble and sand beaches.

England is surrounded by the North Sea to the east, the English Channel to the south, and the Celtic and Irish seas to the west.

The sea reaches a temperature of 17 degrees Celsius in the summer.





There are 387 lakes in England over 5 hectares. Lake Windermere is the largest natural lake in England with a surface area of 15 km². The second largest lake is a man made reservoir called Rutland Water. These lakes are popular tourist destinations.



England is a rather flat country and not very mountainous. England's tallest mountain, Scarfell Pike, is only 978m tall. Its most famous mountain ranges are the Pennines and the Lake District in the north of the country.



England has a population of 53 million people. England's largest city is London, which is home to 8.4 million people. Birmingham is the only other English city that has more than a million people. England has fewer people than Italy but also much less space, which means that it feels more crowded!

