

Britain as an island nation



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Starter Why do we import produce from other countries?

What makes the UK different to some other countries?



The UK is an island nation surrounded by water







Northern Ireland

To the south by the **English Channel**, which separates it from continental Europe



Scotland

Advantages and disadvantages

Advantages:

Tourism (people like to visit beautiful coastlines)

Natural defence (being surrounded by sea) **Disadvantages:**

Isolation from other countries

Harder to transport items to and from other countries

Activity1 Where do I come from?

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Where do I come from?



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Where do I come from? (Answers)

Dyson vacuum cleaners are made in the UK and Malaysia and exported around the world.

Pineapples are grown and imported to the UK from countries like Costa Rica. Although **BMW** is a German company, it produces vehicles in lots of different countries, including the USA, UK, China, Austria, Brazil, South Africa, India, Mexico and Thailand.

Oreo biscuits are made in Spain, USA and the UK.

Apple iPhones have many parts which are manufactured in various countries around the world. These parts are then taken and put together to build (assemble) the phone. Parts are made in Japan, China, South Korea and the USA.

Where do I come from? (Answers)

Brazil nuts are grown in Peru, Bolivia and Brazil and are exported to other countries. Adidas manufacturers its clothing and shoes in more than 55 countries, including Japan, Korea, Malaysia and Spain. **Tuna** is caught around the waters of Ghana, Mauritius, Spain and the Seychelles and is exported to the UK.

Import and export

Buying goods grown or made abroad and bringing them into the country: IMPORTING Sending goods grown or made in a country out of that country to sell abroad: EXPORTING **Activity 2** Why do countries import and export goods?



Import and export

We cannot produce some foods in the UK because of our climate, so we import them from countries where they can be grown.

Can you think of some things we import because they cannot grow here? We are very good at producing other foods, which are suited to our climate, and we export these foods to other countries.

Can you think of some things we grow in the UK and export?



Trade: the buying and selling of goods and services we want or need in return for other goods and services or money

Activity 3 Vocabulary quiz

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Vocabulary quiz Match the word to the definition

Transportation

Trade

Export

Import

Maritime

Climate

The weather conditions in an area over a long period of time

Bringing goods into a country from somewhere else

Relating to seafaring, shipping or the sea

Means of carrying people or goods from one place to another or of being carried from one place to another

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Vocabulary quiz (Answers)

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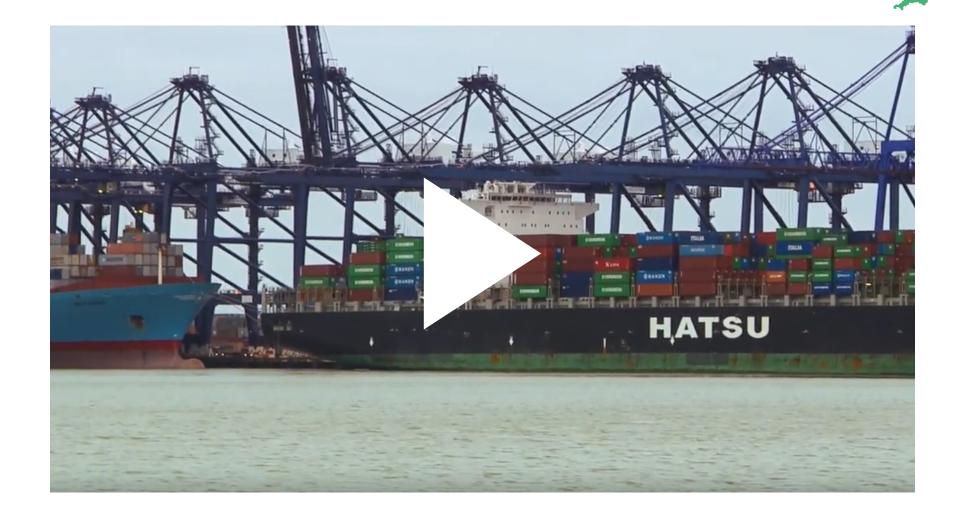
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Britain as a maritime nation



What percentage of UK trade comes in and out of our ports by sea?

Which of the following statements is true?

Which of the following statements is true about Trinity House?

Activity 4 The importance of trade

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The importance of trade

Every day you will touch, use and eat goods that have been brought into the UK by ship. That is because 95% of all imports and exports are transported by sea



Globalisation

Globalisation is the process by which the world is becoming more and more connected as a result of increased trade.

Globalisation has increased the production of goods and services.

Import and export

Total goods imports: £488.8 billion

Total goods exports: £350.0 billion



These images show some of the top UK imports and exports for 2018

Import and export

This map of the UK shows where ships arrive from other countries bringing goods that we use to stock our supermarket shelves.



Import and export

There are about **120** commercial ports in the UK.

These include **all-purpose ports** such as London and Liverpool; **ferry ports** such as Dover; **container ports**, such as Felixstowe, and **ports catering for specialised bulk traffic**, like coal or oil such as Immingham.

The UK ports industry handles **95%** of UK imports and exports.

Every year, **65 million passengers** and **500 million tonnes of cargo** move through UK ports. British ports keep the economy moving.

Activity 5 About Trinity House

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What is Trinity House?



Trinity House is an organisation that helps keep ships safe when they travel in the waters around England, Wales, the Channel Islands and Gibraltar.

It does this by providing **aids to navigation**.

What is Trinity House?



As the UK imports lots of different goods from overseas, our shipping lanes have grown very crowded.

Because there is so much sea traffic, ships need help to be guided safely.

Aids to navigation



Trinity House looks after 66 lighthouses and around 450 buoys around England, Wales, the Channel Islands and Gibraltar.

These help ships navigate safely in our waters.

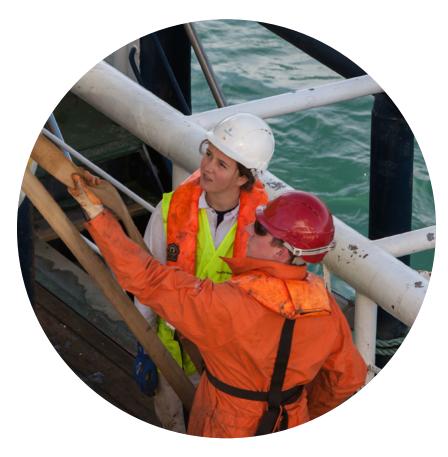
Buoys



A buoy is a highly visual object that floats in water and is used to locate or warn passing ships. Buoys are generally bright in colour.

Their different colours, shapes and designs are part of a visual language that tell seafarers about different safety messages, such as nearby hazards, safe routes and more.

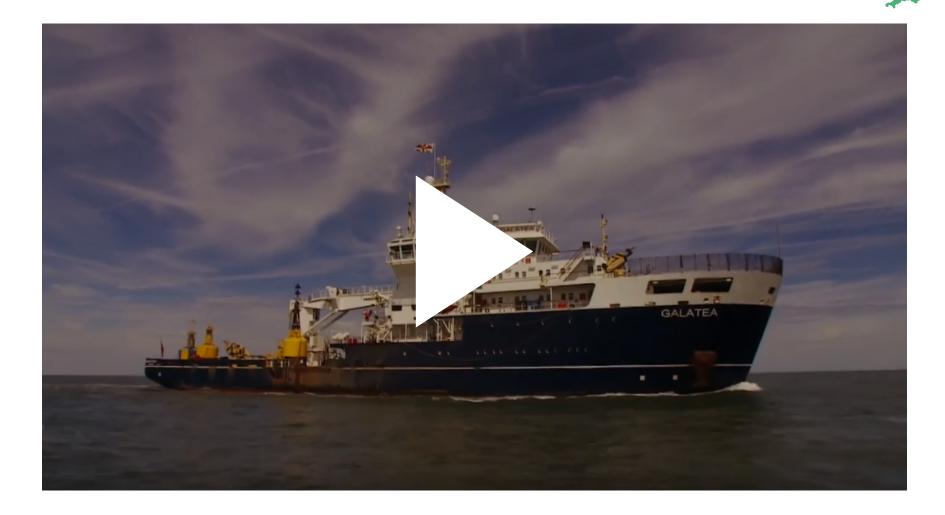
Training



The sea can be a dangerous place.

Trinity House not only provides aids to navigation but also provides training for young people who want to go to sea.

Trinity House: Marine operations



Trinity House has a fleet of how many purpose built vessels?

Which of the following is not a name of one of Trinity House's vessels?

Which of these things are the ships not responsible for doing at sea?

Which of the following aircraft operates with the Trinity House Fleet?