

LONDON

Reading/ Answering Questions/Writing



London is the capital city of England and one of the biggest cities in the world. It is located on the River Thames. London's history goes back to its founding by the Romans, who named it *Londinium*.

London is a leading global city, with strengths in the arts, commerce, education, entertainment, fashion, finance, healthcare, media, professional services, research and development, tourism and transport all contributing to its importance.

It is the world's leading financial centre alongside New York City. London Heathrow is the world's busiest airport by the number of international passengers. London has 43 universities. In 2012 London will become the first city to have hosted the modern Summer Olympic Games three times.

London has diverse cultures, and more than 300 languages are spoken within the city. So, London is definitely a multicultural city!

It is an interesting city with hundreds of castles, museums, gardens, theatres and cinemas. Some famous landmarks that tourists can visit are the London Eye, St Paul's Cathedral, Wembley Stadium and of course Big Ben. London is home to numerous museums, galleries, libraries, sporting events and other cultural institutions, including the British Museum, Tate Modern, and 40 theatres. The London Underground is the oldest underground railway network in the world.



Tourists also go to London to do their shopping. Oxford Street is the busiest shopping street in London.



- **Which city is the capital of England?**

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- **Name three facts about London.**

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- **What can a tourist do in London?**

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- **Where else can someone go sightseeing in London?**

Madame Tussaud's - Buckingham Palace- Trafalgar Square- London Zoo-Tower Bridge

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- **What do you know about London's buses and taxis?**

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