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Places of interest in the southern part of the UK



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White cliffs of Dover

- county Kent
- a major tourist destination for thousands of people every year
- the biggest cliffs in Britain
- the cliffs are white because of chalk
- together with **Dover Castle** they may be the first sights to see when you approach Britain by sea
- in a clear day, the cliffs can be seen from France



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Stratford-upon-Avon

- market town in county Warwickshire
- probably the second most visited place in England
- about 4.9 million visitors a year from all over the world
- founded in 1196 by King Richard I
- birthplace of William Shakespeare (born in 1564, died 1616)
- **Henley Street** – main tourist attraction is the house where Shakespeare was born
- **Holy Trinity Church** – grave of Shakespeare, his wife Anne Hathaway and other family members
- **Royal Shakespeare Theatre** - The Royal Shakespeare Company resides here

Shakespeare's Birthplace



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Canterbury

- historic English cathedral city in county Kent
- UNESCO World Heritage Site
- lies on the River Stour
- The seat of Archbishop of Canterbury - principal leader of the Church of England
- **Canterbury Cathedral** – one of the most famous in Britain, its oldest parts originated in 11th century
- Thomas Becket, the Archbishop of Canterbury, was murdered in the cathedral by the order of the King Henry II in 1170 (they had a conflict over the rights and privileges of the church)
- because of Thomas Becket's murder Canterbury became the biggest pilgrimage site in England
- Canterbury Tales by Geoffrey Chaucer

Canterbury Cathedral



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Stonehenge

- a prehistoric monument in county Wiltshire
- near Salisbury
- most of the construction took place between 2640 and 2480 BC
- Stonehenge consists of two stone circles and two horseshoes - some of them have fallen down
- no one knows who built Stonehenge or what was it built for
- maybe ritual place
- during the summer solstice, the sunrise lines up with some of the stones in a particular way – maybe Stonehenge was used as a calendar

Aerial view of Stonehenge



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Salisbury

- a cathedral city in county Wiltshire
- **Salisbury Cathedral (Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary)**
 - built in the early 13th century
 - one of the leading examples of Early English architecture
 - highest spire in England (123 m)
 - the cathedral library contains one of only four copies of Magna Carta in existence
- seat of the Bishop of Salisbury

Salisbury Cathedral



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Brighton

- town on the south coast of Great Britain
- county of East Sussex
- well known for being a bathing resort
- **Brighton Pier** - pleasure pier in Brighton, centre of entertainment, restaurants, clubs and shops
- **Royal Pavilion** – formal royal residence, built in oriental style



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Oxford

- university town in county Oxfordshire
- on the River Thames
- **Oxford University**
 - the oldest university in all English-speaking countries
 - 12th century
 - consists of 38 colleges and another 6 private halls
 - Radcliffe Camera – reading room, pictured
- **Sheldonian Theatre** designed by Christopher Wren



University of Oxford



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Cambridge

- university town and the administrative centre of the county of Cambridgeshire
- about 80 km north from London
- **University of Cambridge**
 - the second-oldest university in all English-speaking countries
 - 13th century - the official creation of the University was in 1231, when King Henry III gave to the people there the right to teach students
 - 31 colleges
 - one of the top five universities in the world

University of Cambridge



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Answer the following questions.

1. What's probably the second most visited place in England and why?
2. Where can we see Shakespeare's grave?
3. Why are the White cliffs of Dover white?
4. Who was Thomas Becket? Where and how did he die?
5. Do we certainly know what was Stonehenge built for? What is your opinion?
6. What can we find in the cathedral library in Salisbury?
7. Is Cambridge the oldest university in all English-speaking countries?
8. What's the Radcliffe Camera and where is it?
9. In which style in the Royal Pavilion in Brighton built?
10. The highest spire in England is in _____.

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