**Возможный вариант викторины «Do You Know Great Britain?»**

**(для 10-11 классов)**

**I*. General Information***

1. What is the official name of Britain?
2. Where is the UK situated?
3. What parts does the UK consist of?
4. What is the capital of Britain?
5. What is the oldest part of London?
6. What is the mostly working-class part of London?
7. What part of London is the symbol of wealth and culture?
8. What is the official part of London?
9. What river is the British capital situated on?
10. What is the capital of Scotland?
11. What is the capital of Wales?
12. What is the capital of Northern Ireland?
13. What is the symbol of England?
14. What is the symbol of Scotland?
15. What is the symbol of Wales?
16. What is the symbol of Northern Ireland?
17. What is the national costume of Scotland?
18. What is the national instrument of Scots?
19. When do British people celebrate Christmas?
20. What is the traditional Christmas meal in Britain?
21. When did the Romans land on the British Isles?
22. What tribes invaded Britain in the 5th century?
23. Who came to Britain from Denmark and Norway in the 9th century?

**II.** ***Geographical Position.***

1. Where do the British Isles lie?
2. What is the western coast of the British Isles washed by?
3. What is the eastern coast of the British Isles washed by?
4. What channel lies between Britain and the continent of Europe?
5. What are the largest islands of the British Isles?
6. What is the highest mountain peak in Wales?
7. What is the highest mountain peak in Britain?
8. How is the northern part of Scotland called?
9. How is the southern part of Scotland called?
10. What is the longest river in Britain?
11. Why do the British people often talk about the weather?
12. What is the most famous forest in England?
13. Why is it never too hot or too cold in Britain?
14. What is the worst thing about the climate of the British Isles?
15. What is the best and the driest season in Britain?
16. What is Loch Ness famous for?
17. Why is it possible to travel by water from one end of England to the other?

**III. *Places of Interest.***

1. Where did the most of the English Kings and Queens have their coronation ceremonies?
2. What is the London home of the Queen?
3. Where does the Prime Minister of Great Britain live?
4. What is the official name of the parliament building?
5. Where are famous people of Great Britain buried?
6. What was the Tower of London in the past?
7. What is the Tower of London now?
8. What birds live in the Tower of London?
9. When was St. Paul’s Cathedral built?
10. What is Hyde Park famous for?
11. What is there in the centre of Trafalgar Square?
12. What is Big Ben?
13. What is the Madame Tussaud’s Museum famous for?
14. What is Covent Garden in London?
15. What is Whitehall famous for?
16. What park is London Zoo is?
17. What is Piccadilly Circus famous for?
18. What is Scotland Yard?
19. What is the home town of William Shakespeare?
20. What is the town of Oxford famous for?
21. What was the first passenger railway in England and in the world?
22. What is the name of the famous stadium in London?
23. What is Wimbledon associated with?

**IV*. Famous People.***

1. Who printed the first English book?
2. What was Geoffrey Chaucer?
3. Who wrote the book “Gulliver’s Travels”?
4. Which famous English writer’s name is Charles?
5. Who wrote “Treasure Island”?
6. Who is known as the author of “A Midsummer Night’s Dream”?
7. Who wrote “Twelfth Night”?
8. What was Jerome’s book which made him famous?
9. Who is known as the author of “Robinson Crusoe”?
10. What kind of writer was Herbert Wells?
11. Who wrote “The Invisible Man”?
12. Who was the creator of the characters of Doctor Watson and Sherlock Holmes?
13. Who wrote adventure stories about James Bond?
14. How many detective stories did Agatha Christie write?
15. Who was the father of the historical novel in the world literature?
16. Where was Charlie Chaplin born?
17. Who played the role of Scarlett in the screen version of “Gone with the Wind”?
18. What was the Beatles?
19. Who led the parliamentary army during the Civil War in England?
20. Who defeated the French at the battle of Trafalgar?
21. Who was the architect of St. Paul’s Cathedral?
22. Who discovered penicillin?
23. Whose portraits did Reynolds paint?
24. What was John Constable famous for?
25. How was the last Russian Tsar’s family related to the British Royal Family?

**V*. Political System.***

1. What kind of state is Great Britain?
2. What is the head of state of Great Britain?
3. When did Princess Elizabeth come to the throne?
4. Where did the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II take place?
5. Where are laws made in Great Britain?
6. What Houses is the British parliament divided into?
7. How many members are there in the House of Lords?
8. How many members are there in the House of Commons?
9. Which House of the British parliament is elected by people?
10. Who is the chairperson of the House of Lords?
11. Who is the chairperson of the House of Commons?
12. Who may put a bill before Parliament?
13. When do members of each House meet in session?
14. How long do sessions last?
15. When does a bill become an Act of Parliament?
16. Who heads the government of Great Britain?

**Ответы.**

I. ***General Information***

1. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
2. On the British Isles.
3. English, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland
4. London
5. The City
6. The East End
7. The West End
8. Westminster
9. on the Thames
10. Edinbourgh
11. Cardiff
12. Belfast
13. the red rose
14. the thistle
15. the daffodil
16. the shamrock
17. the kilt
18. the bagpipe
19. on the 25th of December
20. roast turkey and pudding
21. 2,000 years ago
22. the Anglo-Saxons
23. the Vikings

**II.** ***Geographical Position.***

1. to the west of the continent of Europe
2. by the Atlantic Ocean the Irish Sea
3. by the North Sea
4. the English Channel
5. Great Britain and Ireland
6. Snowdon
7. Ben Nevis
8. the Highlands
9. the Lowlands
10. the Severn
11. It’s changeable
12. Sherwood Forest
13. It is because of the sea
14. frequent rain
15. spring
16. for the legend about the monster
17. many of rivers are joined by canals

**III. *Places of Interest.***

1. in Westminster Abbey
2. Buckingham Palace
3. at 10, Downing Street
4. Westminster Palace
5. in Westminster Abbey
6. it was a fortress, a palace, a prison
7. it is a museum
8. ravens
9. in the late 17th and early 18th century
10. for its Speaker’s Corner
11. Nelson’s Column
12. the bell of the largest clock in the Houses of Par.
13. for its wax figures of famous people
14. the name of the Royal Opera House
15. for its government offices
16. in Regent’s Park
17. for its theatres and cinemas
18. the name of the police force in London
19. Stradford-upon-Avon
20. for its University
21. The Liverpool and Manchester Railway
22. Wembley Stadium
23. with lawn tennis

**IV*. Famous People.***

1. William Caxton
2. the greatest English writer of the 14th century
3. Jonathan Swift
4. Charles Dickens
5. Robert Louis Stevenson
6. William Shakespeare
7. William Shakespeare
8. “Three men in a boat”
9. Daniel Defoe
10. the writer of science fiction
11. Herbert George Wells
12. Arthur Conan Doyle
13. Ian Fleming
14. 75
15. Walter Scott
16. in London
17. Vivien Leigh, a British actress
18. Pop singers and composers
19. Oliver Cromwell
20. Admiral Nelson
21. Christopher Wren
22. Alexander Fleming
23. Portraits of the most famous people of his time
24. for his landscapes
25. Alexandra, wife of the Russian Tsar, was a granddaughter of Queen Victoria

**V*. Political System.***

1. a parliamentary monarchy
2. the Queen
3. in 1952
4. In Westminster Abbey
5. in Westminster Palace
6. The House of Commons and the House of Lords
7. more than 1,000 members
8. 650 members
9. the House of Commons
10. the Lord Chancellor
11. the Speaker
12. any member of Parliament
13. at the end of October
14. for about 160 days a year
15. after the Queen’s signature
16. the Prime Minister