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1 The United Kingdom

- 1) Is there a difference between nationality and citizenship, with particular regard to the people of the United Kingdom?**

There is a difference between nationality and citizenship in the UK. The UK is composed of different countries, and so different nationalities live within those countries. However, all of the people are grouped under the same citizenship of the United Kingdom of Great Britain. The example is given in the text that a Scott may say that his nationality is Scottish, and he may put forward his individual country, while at the same time recognizing of course that he is a citizen of the UK.

- 2) In what order did the various countries join together and become a united kingdom?**

Wales was the first country to join with England in 1536 (under the Act of Union, by Henry VIII). In 1706, the Treaty of Union brought Scotland into the union of Great Britain. In 1801, Ireland was the last country to join and the Kingdom of Great Britain was transformed into the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. 1922 was the final year of change when the counties of southern Ireland opted out, in order to become independent, and the country adopted his present name of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

- 3) Where does the name of the flag of the United Kingdom stem from exactly?**

The Union Flag is the official name of the flag of the UK. It is so called due to the union between the various countries and in memory of the acts of Union between those countries. The unofficial name of the flag is the 'union jack'. There are two possible sources related to the origin of this name. The first is that it comes from the word 'jack staff' or the mast on a ship where a flag is normally flown. The second is that it is in memory of the nickname of King James I (who introduced the flag when he became monarch).