

Worksheet | Countryside is **GREAT**

Lead-in: Look at the poster. What can you see? Is this landscape different or similar to the landscape where you live?



Discuss these questions.


1. Would you like to be in this landscape? Why (not)?
2. What is the most beautiful rural area that you have ever visited?
3. What are some factors which threaten rural areas?
4. What can we do to help to protect the countryside?

Task 1: Read these sentences about the UK's National Parks. There is a mistake in each one. Can you guess what it is?

1. There are 15 National Parks in the UK, 10 in England, 3 in Scotland and 2 in Wales.
2. Some of the parks are designated protected landscapes, but each park is different and administered by its own authority.
3. People live and work in the parks, and anyone can visit during the winter for free.
4. The UK's National Parks receive more than 10 million visits a year.

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Task 2: Watch a video: ‘UK National Parks in 100 Seconds’. Match the type of land in UK’s National Park with the correct percentage.

crops	15%	
peat bogs	12%	
woods and forests	24%	
grasslands	22%	
heaths and moors	6%	
pastures for sheep and cows	14%	

Task 3: Apart from national parks, there are many other countryside attractions in the UK. You are going to learn about four of them. Read the questions below and check that you understand them.

1. How long is Loch Ness?
2. How many people visit Powis Castle annually?
3. In which year did Stonehenge get UNESCO World Heritage Site status?
4. What animals might you see at Powis Castle?
5. What can visitors do at Giant’s Causeway? Name one thing.
6. What can visitors do at Loch Ness? Name one thing.
7. What can visitors do at Powis Castle? Name one thing.
8. What does ‘Loch’ mean and where is Loch Ness?
9. What formed the columns of basalt rock at Giant’s Causeway?
10. What happens at Stonehenge during the summer solstice?
11. What was the myth of the creation of Giant’s Causeway?
12. Where is Giant’s Causeway?
13. Where is Powis Castle?
14. Where is Stonehenge and how old is it?
15. Who is ‘Nessie’?
16. Who owns Stonehenge?

Task 4: Follow these instructions.

1. Your teacher will give you a text. Read the text and find the answers to the questions about your text.
2. Talk to your classmates and find the answers for the remaining questions.
3. When you are ready, discuss: Which of the attractions would you most like to visit? Why?