



**English courses**  
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# Reading Challenge 2021

## Reading Suggestions V1

Term 3 2021

## Lower Secondary 1 & 2

This traditional story is about what makes you happy. Will Paul be happy when he buys a lump of gold? Read the story:

<https://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/sites/kids/files/attachment/short-stories-story-time-the-lump-of-gold-transcript.pdf>

or hear it being read:

<https://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/short-stories/the-lump-gold>



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Maybe you'd like to learn more about geography and what makes Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales and England unique from one another?

**FACT FILE: The UK**

**FUN FACTS:**

- The UK flag is called the 'Union Jack'.
- The UK is the only country in the world with four national football teams.

Some British people say that they are from Great Britain. Other British people say they are from the UK. Some say they are from England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland. What do you know about these different places?



England, Scotland and Wales are on an island in the north-west of Europe called Great Britain. Great Britain together with Northern Ireland is called the United Kingdom, or UK.

**England** is the largest part of the UK. Its name comes from people called the Angles, who came from Germany 1500 years ago. About 53 million people live in England and the capital city is London.

**Scotland** is in the north of Britain. Over 5 million people live in Scotland. The highest mountain in the UK is in Scotland. It is called Ben Nevis and is 1,345 metres tall. The capital city of Scotland is Edinburgh but the largest city is Glasgow.

Read this fact file and other short texts here:  
<https://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/reading-practice>

# All levels

Check out <https://worldstories.org.uk/lang/english> for a collection of global stories that teaches us about other cultures.

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This site lets you colour the text background



## A Good Friend

Read in:



Source:  
<https://worldstories.org.uk/lang/english>

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Listen to *James and the Giant Peach* being read by some famous faces!



<https://www.roalddahl.com/roalddahl.com/taika-and-friends/taika-resources1>

# Happy reading!

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