# **English and Countries**

- English is the official language in 67 different countries and 27 non-sovereign objects.
- English, perhaps, is most often associated with the United States and Great Britain, the two largest English-speaking countries. Despite the presence of two official languages, Canada is the third largest English-speaking population, and next in the list is Australia. Other well-known countries of the world, where English is the main language, include Ireland, South Africa and New Zealand.



Great Britain



USA



Canada



Australia



New Zealand

## Let's talk about UK and USA

- UK(The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland). The capital and largest city is London.
  - Official and national language UK is English(a West Germanic language developed from Old English, which had a large number of borrowings from Old Norse, Norman, French and Latin)
  - English spread throughout the world largely thanks to the British Empire and became the international and the most popular second language studied

## Let's talk about UK and USA

- USA(*The United States of America*). The capital is Washington, D.C and Largest city is New York City.
  - The most common native language is English (for 80.0% of people). Also a mother tongue here is Spanish (for 12.4%)
  - During the struggle for independence and the construction of the young American state, attempts were being made to invent their own American language, in particular, Noah Webster, who published his "American Dictionary of English", was particularly successful. And in Illinois until 1969, there was a law prohibiting speaking in English. As the official language of this state, it was prescribed to use the American language.
    - Currently in the US researchers allocate as many as 24 dialects of the English language.



## Let's talk about other countries

- Canada. The capital is Ottawa and largest city is Toronto.
  - Canada is officially a bilingual country since July 7, 1969. These language are English and French what have equal status (English is native to 57.8% of the population, French - to 22.1%)





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- Australia (*Commonwealth of Australia*). The capital is Canberra and largest cities are Sydney and Melbourne.
  - The Australian version of English (English Australian English) is one of the main variants of the English language, mainly used in Australia.
  - English has no official status in the Australian Constitution, but Australian English is de facto the official language and the mother tongue of the majority of the population.
  - It arose from the confusion of children of early settlers from a wide variety of mutually intelligible dialect regions of the British Isles and quickly turned into a separate version of the English language

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- New Zealand. The capital is Wellington.
  - Official languages are English, Maori, New Zealand Sign Language, but English is the main language of communication (for 96% of people)
  - The New Zealand dialect of English is close to Australian, but retained a much greater influence of the English language of the southern regions of England. At the same time, he acquired some characteristic features of the Scottish and Irish accent.
  - The largest cities are Auckland, Wellington,
    Christchurch, Hamilton, Dunedin, Tauranga





Canada



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Australia



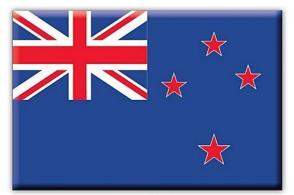
Australia



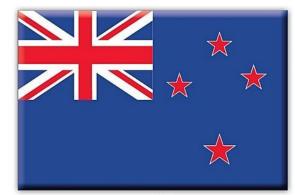
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