



GEOGRAPHICAL **POSITION**



The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland¹ is situated on the British Isles² – a large group of islands lying off the north-western coast of Europe³ and separated from the continent by the English Channel⁴ and the Strait of Dover⁵ in the south and the North Sea⁶ in the east.

1. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland [Dq junaitid'kiNdqm qv'greit'britain qnd'nO:Dqn'ailqnd] – Об'єднане королівство Великої Британії та Північної Ірландії
2. the British Isles ['britiS'ailz] – Британські острови
3. Europe ['juqrqp] – Європа
4. the English Channel [iNgliS'Cxnl] – пролив Ла Манш
5. the Strait of Dover [streit qv'douvq] – пролив Па Де Кале
6. the North Sea ['nO:T'si:] – Северне море



BRITISH ISLES



THE ENGLISH CHANNEL



THE STRAIT OF DOVER



THE NORTH SEA



The British Isles consist of two large islands – Great Britain and Ireland – separated by the Irish Sea⁷, and a lot of small islands, the main of which are the Isle of Wight⁸ in the English Channel, Anglesea⁹ and the Isle of Man¹⁰ in the Irish Sea, the Hebrides¹¹ – a group of islands off the north-western coast of Scotland¹², and two groups of islands lying to the north of Scotland: the Orkney Islands¹³ and the Shetland Islands¹⁴.

7. the Irish Sea ['aɪrɪS'si:] – Ирландское море
8. the Isle of Wight ['aɪl qv'waɪt] – остров Уайт
9. Anglesea ['xŋɡlsi:] - Энглси
10. the Isle of Man ['aɪl qv'mɒn] – остров Мэн
11. the Hebrides ['hebrɪdɪz] - Гебриды
12. Scotland ['skɒtlənd] - Шотландия
13. the Orkney Islands ['O:kni'aɪləndz] – Оркнейские острова
14. the Shetland Islands ['Setlənd'aɪləndz] – Шетландские острова



THE ISLE OF WIGHT



ANGLESEA



THE ISLE OF MAN



THE HEBRIDES



THE ORKNEY ISLANDS



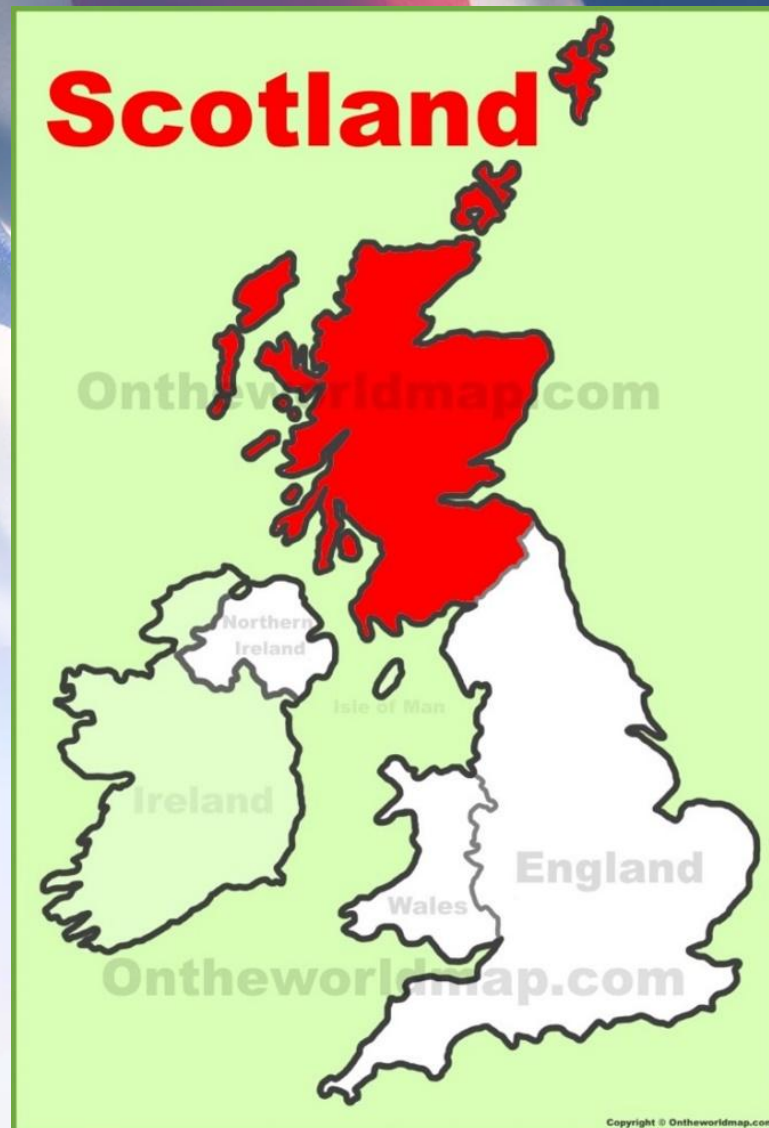
THE SHETLAND ISLANDS



Historically the territory of the United Kingdom is divided into four parts: England¹⁵, Scotland, Wales¹⁶ and Northern Ireland. The total area of the United Kingdom is 244 square kilometers.

15. England [ˈiŋɡlɒnd] - Англия

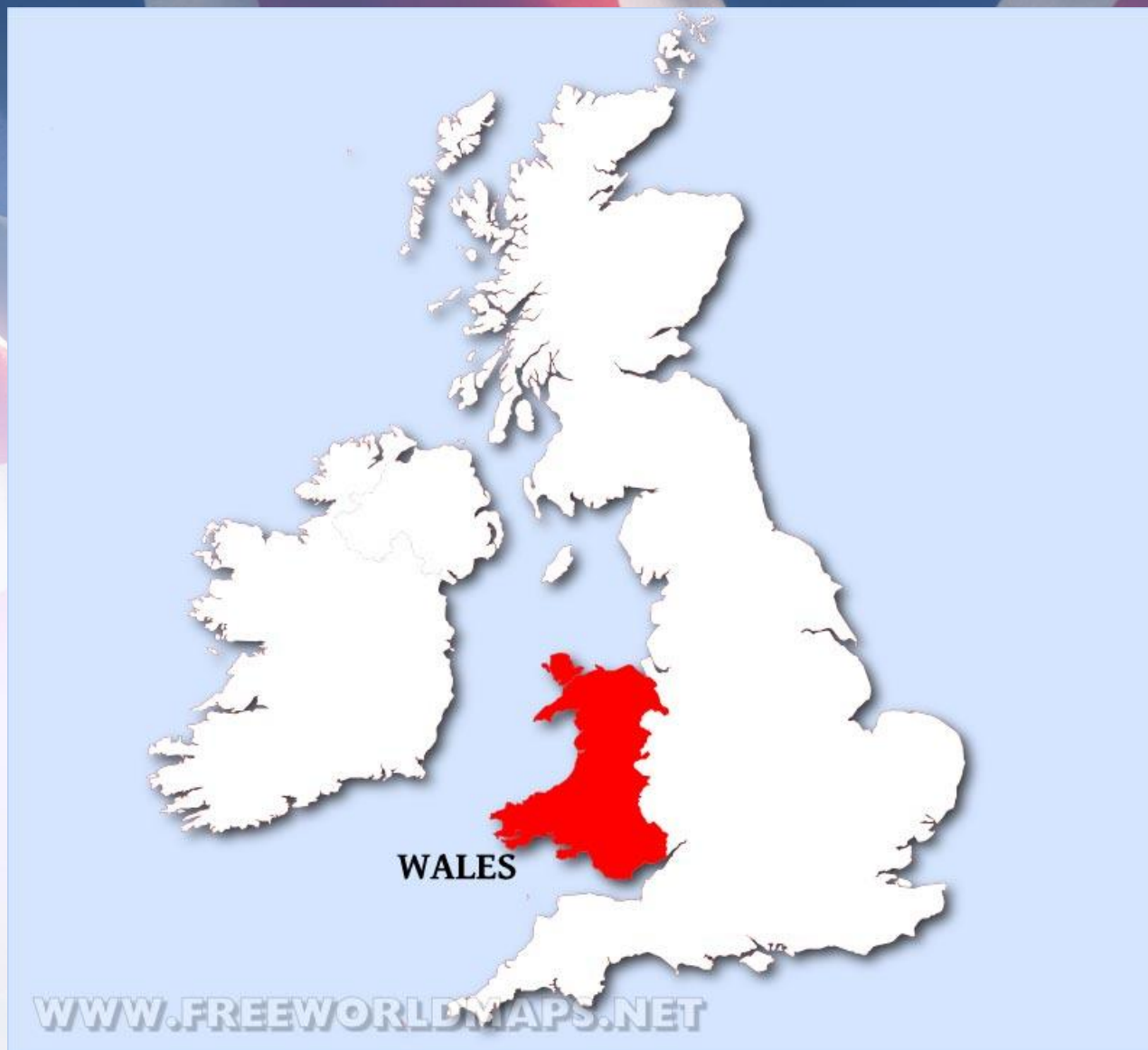
16. Wales [weɪlz] - Уэльс



SCOTLAND



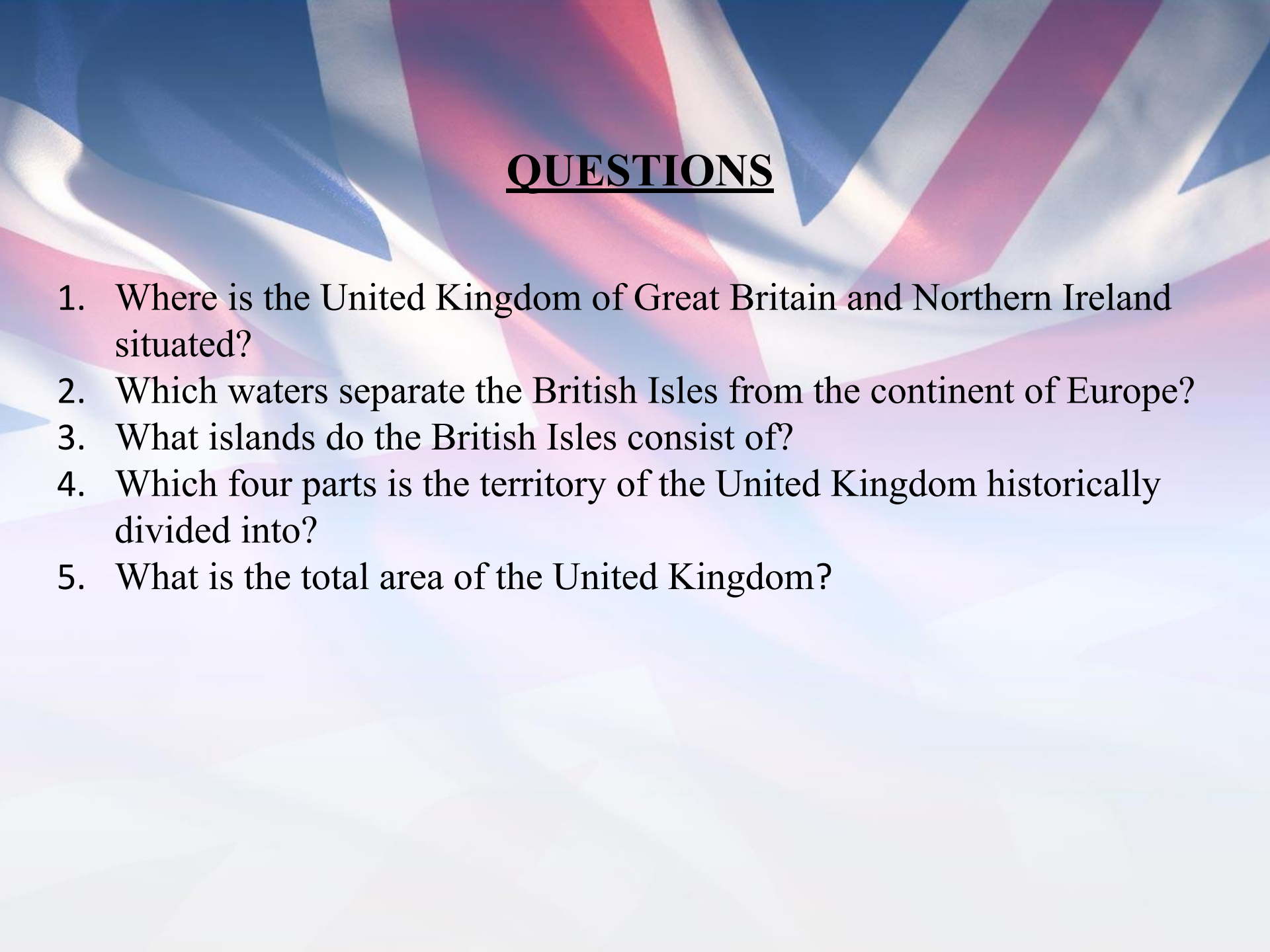
ENGLAND



WALES



NORTHERN IRELAND



QUESTIONS

1. Where is the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland situated?
2. Which waters separate the British Isles from the continent of Europe?
3. What islands do the British Isles consist of?
4. Which four parts is the territory of the United Kingdom historically divided into?
5. What is the total area of the United Kingdom?