

Scotland is the most northerly country in the British Isles.

For centuries, Scotland was an independent country and today it still has a very individual culture.

Much of Scotland is covered by hills and mountains. Most of the population live in lowland areas and the centre of the country.

The capital, Edinburgh, is to the east of the central area.

There are many small islands off the west coast of Scotland with their own communities.

Scotland has its own legal system which is very different to the system in England and Wales.