

Extreme Great Britain: Answers

1. The highest mountain in Great Britain and the UK is **Ben Nevis**, Scotland. It is located at the western end of the Grampian Mountains in the Lochaber area of Scotland, close to the town of Fort William. <http://ben-nevis.com/index.php>
2. The longest river in Great Britain is **The River Severn** (Welsh: Afon Hafren), at about 354 kilometres. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/River_Severn
3. **Loch Lomond** is the largest lake in Great Britain by surface area. It is 39 kilometres long and between 1.21 kilometres and 8 kilometres wide. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Loch_Lomond
4. The biggest lake in Great Britain is **Loch Ness** a large, deep, freshwater loch in the Scottish Highlands extending for approximately 37 km (23 mi) southwest of Inverness. Loch Ness is the second largest Scottish loch by surface area at 56.4 km² after Loch Lomond, but due to its great depth, it is the largest by volume. It contains more fresh water than all the lakes in England and Wales combined. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Loch_Ness
5. **Galloway Forest** is Britain's largest forest park at three hundred square miles. The largest forest in England is Kielder Forest. <http://www.gallowayforestpark.com/>
6. The deepest freshwater lake or loch in Great Britain and the British Isles is **Loch Morar** (Scottish Gaelic: Loch Mhòrair) a freshwater loch in Morar, Lochaber, Highland, Scotland. It has a maximum depth of 310 metres. <http://www.lochmorar.org.uk/>
7. The **Peak Cavern**, in Derbyshire, is the largest natural cave entrance in Great Britain and the British Isles. http://www.castleton.co.uk/caverns/peak_cavern.aspx
8. Fastest train in Great Britain ran on the Eurostar Line from **Ashford**. The train chosen for the attempt was Class 373/2 'Regional Eurostar' specially prepared with monitoring equipment and a ten per cent 'overspeed' facility. The train was driven by Alan Pears and had only around 70 journalists and engineers on board as it set off from Ashford to reach 208 m.p.h. <http://sciencera.com/technology/transport/208-mph-the-fastest-train-ever-to-run-ingreatbritain/#ixzz1ks19e9ZX> and <http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/kent/3108973.stm>
9. The **Port of Felixstowe** is the largest and busiest container port in Great Britain and the UK. It is also one of the largest in Europe. <http://www.portoffelixstowe.co.uk/#/port>
10. The northernmost point is **Out Stack**, Shetland Islands http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extreme_points_of_the_United_Kingdom
11. The southernmost settlement is **St Agnes**, Isles of Scilly http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extreme_points_of_the_United_Kingdom
12. The easternmost point is **Lowestoft Ness**, Suffolk http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extreme_points_of_the_United_Kingdom
13. The coldest ever temperature was minus 27.2 degrees centigrade recorded at in **Braemar**, Aberdeenshire Scotland on 10 January 1982 <http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/climate/uk/extremes/>
14. The largest National Park in the UK is the **Cairngorms National Park**, Scotland. The Park is 4528 sq. kilometres in area, over twice the size the Lake District and Loch Lomond and the Trossachs. <http://www.cairngorms.co.uk/the-park/facts-figures/>