WELCOME TO LONDON!

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Main points

- Places and monuments
- The Queen
- The «symbols» of London

River Thames

- Thames flows through London.
- The River Thames is 338 km long.
- It is 245 m wide here.
- Even big seaships can visit London.

Trafalgar Square

- Always a lot of people and pigeons.
- For Christmas, big Christmas tree (gift from Norway) in the middle of the square.
- On New Year's Eve people gather around the tree.
- In the middle of the square there is Admiral Nelson's Column.

Westminster Abbey

- This is a holy place.
- All English kings have been crowned and buried in the church since 1308.

Big Ben

- Big Ben, the big clock tower,
- The symbol of London. It strikes hours.
- Part of the House of Parliament

Tower Bridge

- Tower Bridge is a bascule-bridge.
- The bascules will open to let ships pass through.

Tower of London

- ToL has been a fortress, a palace, an arsenal, a mint, a prison, an observatory, a zoo
- Now it is the home of the Crown Jewels.

Buckingham Palace

- The Queen’s home.
- Built in 1703.
- Great collection of paintings.

The Queen of Great Britain

- The Queen of Great Britain is Elizabeth II.
- Her husband is Duke of Edinburgh.
- 4 children: Prince Charles, Princess Anne, Prince Andrew and Prince Edward.

Imperial State Crown

- The Tower’s greatest treasure is the Imperial State Crown.
- There are 2 800 diamonds on it.

Beefeaters

- The quards of the Tower are called Beefeaters.
- The legend says that if the ravens leave, the Tower and the country will fall.

Double-deckers

- There are big red buses called double-deckers in London.
- People sit upstairs and downstairs on these buses.
- Tourists like them very much.

Taxis

- Taxis in London are old-fashioned black cars.

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Thank you