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History and traditions



The UK =the **United Kingdom** of
Great Britain and Northern Ireland



*If you want to solve this puzzle in the UK, you
have to study **British history**.*

----- the writer

Predicting

What's in a **name**?



*Reading tip 1:
making
predictions
according to the
title and map is
necessary.*

Skimming

Divide the text into **Three** parts.



What is the genre(语篇类型) of the text?

A.Narration(叙述文) B. Argumentation(议论文) C.Exposition(说明文)



Para1 This puzzle

The United Kingdom, Great Britain, Britain, England---many people are confused by what these different names mean. Getting to know a little bit about British **history** will help you solve **this puzzle**.

to introduce the following



Para2 History

1. In what order does this paragraph be organized?
2. Scan para2 to circle the words that describe time.

In the 16th
century

In the 18th
century

In the 19th
century

In the 20th
century

Reading tip2:

Scanning is looking at the text quickly to find specific information, such as dates or numbers.

How did UK come into being?

be joined to

be linked to

be added to

break away from

in the 16th
century

in the 18th
century

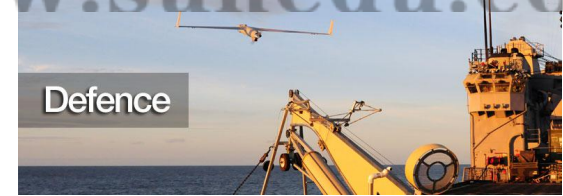
in the 19th
century

in the 20th
century

Do the four countries work
together in all areas?

England + Wales
England + Wales
+ Scotland
(Great Britain)
Great Britain
+ Ireland
Great Britain
+ Northern Ireland

Part3 Similarities and differences



Similarities: flag ; currency ; military defence

Differences: educational and legal systems;
their own traditions and even football teams for competitions.

Further thinking:
How does the writer develop this paragraph?

Reading tip3:
Giving examples (for example; like) can help readers understand the point more easily and more convincing.

Para4 People and traditions

Time	Group	Evidence
The 1 st century	Romans	towns & roads
The 5 th century	Anglo-Saxons	language & houses
The 8 th century	Vikings	vocabulary & names of locations
The 11 th century	Normans	castles & legal system & French words

Para5 trip

1

Is there anything else we can benefit from studying the history of the UK?

2

Why is London said to be a great place to start?

3

What impression is given of the UK? Any supporting words ?

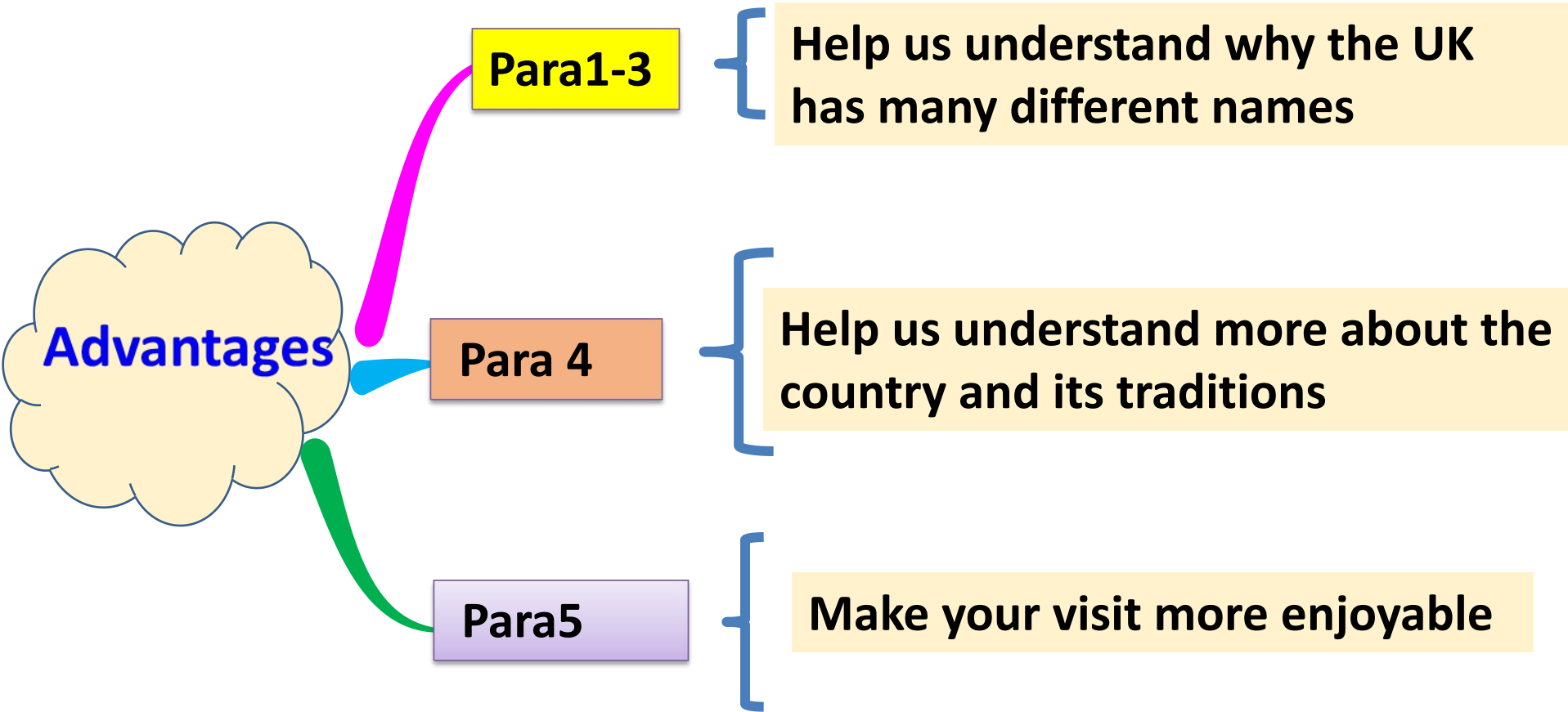
Further thinking

Who do you think are the intended readers of this passage, and why?

- ① Studying the history of the country will make **your** visit much more enjoyable.
- ② If **you** keep **your** eyes open, you will be surprised to find that you can see both its **past** and its present.

Thinking & Summary:

What can studying the history of the UK help us?



Main idea: The passage mainly talks about advantages of studying British history.

Appreciating a quote

A people without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots.

– Marcus Garvey

Group Discussion

1. If you were to give foreigners some suggestions on visiting China, which period of China's long history would you advise them to study before their visit?

2. Which city do you think is a great place for them to start in China?

Homework

1. Read the text again and recite the expressions you like.
2. Finish writing the following letter after class.

Your foreign friend Jim is planning to visit China this year and is asking you for some suggestions. Please write him an email. You are expected to talk about the **advantages** of studying Chinese history and **recommend a great place to** start a visit in China.

Thank You



One possible version

Dear Jim,

It's nice to hear from you. I'm writing to share with you some suggestions for your visit to China.

knowing a little Chinese history will be helpful when you visit China. First, **it can help you understand a lot about** our country and our traditions. Second, **it can make your visit much more enjoyable.**

If you visit China, **I recommend Xi'an is a great place to start.** It's an ancient city with an interesting history. There are countless historic sites for you to explore, and lots of museums with ancient items from all over China. If you **keep your eyes open**, you will be surprised to find that you can see both its past and its present.

Looking forward to your arrival.

Yours,
Li Hua