# Children's Activity Sheet



England, Wales & Northern Ireland

I know the plans
I have for you







# The Labyrinth

This is a path that leads to the centre if you follow carefully with your pencil. It reminds us that even when we cannot see where we are going God is leading us and we can trust him.

Start from the red cross.



## A wordsearch

Can you find these words in the grid?

They may read in any direction – up, down, forwards, backwards or diagonally. Sometimes God's message is not easy to see. We may be confused by other things as we are by the extra letters in the puzzle.

J	А	С	Q	Р	D	S	W
G	Е	Α	С	В	R	٧	Т
0	Т	R	U	S	Т	Е	F
I	Н	Е	Е	X	N	U	J
Р	М	L	F	М	K	Р	Е
L	0	٧	Е	Υ	I	L	Р
Е	R	U	Т	U	F	А	0
Н	Н	Z	0	А	K	N	Н

CARE JEREMIAH
FUTURE LOVE
HELP PLAN
HOPE TRUST



Can you de-code this message?

4 5669 843 75267 4 4283 367 968

#### Use the phone keypad:

Each number represents one of the letters on that key. So 4 is either g, h or i and 6 is m, n or o.



### Finding out about England, Wales and Northern Ireland Game:

Interesting facts of England, Wales and Northern Ireland (to accompany the Game)

1. England, Wales and Northern Ireland are all parts of the British Isles. When Scotland and more than 6,000 islands around us are added as well, we become: `The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland'.

#### Government and Royalty

- 2. Welcome to London! This is the capital city and it is where the government buildings are. These are called the Houses of Parliament. There is a clock tower there with a famous bell called Big Ben.
- 3. We are ruled by a democratic government with an elected Prime Minister, but we also have a Queen (or King) who is our Head of State.
- 4. The official London home of the Queen (or King) is called Buckingham Palace.
- 5. We have many historic houses and castles. The oldest royal home is Windsor Castle. It was built more than 900 years ago and is the largest royal home in the world and still being lived in!
- 6. Do you know that when people reach their 100th birthday they get a card from the Queen (or King)?

#### Things to be proud of

- 7. We have a long history of scientists and inventors who have brought new knowledge to the world.
- 8. Music is a vital part of our culture and includes classical music, ballads, punk, rock, pop, grime, folk, Morris dancing and male voice choirs, alongside traditional Celtic folk music.
- 9. How lucky we are to have such a temperate climate no extremes in any way! We are proud of our lush green countryside and farmland.
- 10. Because we are all islands, nowhere in the country are we more than 75 miles from the sea!

#### Over the Irish Sea

- 11. Now we travel across to Northern Ireland.
- 12. The main city here is Belfast and the people here welcome you! They are famous for their hospitality.
- 13. The Giant's Causeway is a very famous rocky area of the coast in Northern Ireland. It looks like thousands of giant steps. It is made up of thousands of hexagonal blocks of rock, formed by ancient volcanic eruptions.
- 14. Lough Neagh, in Northern Ireland, is the largest lake in the British Isles.

#### Back across the Sea

- 15. To Wales another beautiful part of our islands! All the road signs in Wales are written in two languages: Welsh and English.
- 16. One town in Wales has one of the longest names in the world:

  Llanfairpwillgwyngyllgogerychwryndrobwllllantysiliogogogoch (which means: Saint Mary's Church in the hollow of the white hazel near a rapid whirlpool and the Church of Saint Tysilio of the red cave.)
- 17. From all parts of our countries we have many famous authors, poets, explorers and composers who are known all around the world.

#### More things to know

- 18. Football (or soccer) originated in England, and other sports such as cricket, rugby and tennis all started here. Some of our football clubs are known all over the world.
- 19. Our favourite foods include fish and chips, varieties of sandwiches, cheeses and cream teas! We also enjoy foods from many other countries brought by people who have settled here.
- 20. There are beautiful beaches and coastlines all around us. Fishing and sailing, surfing and swimming but be careful, the seas that surround us can be very cold!
- 21. Believe it or not, the postage stamp originated here! The first stamp was issued in 1840.
- 22. Stonehenge is a famous prehistoric monument made up of a ring of massive standing stones. It is older than the Pyramids of Egypt and thought to have been created about 3,000 BC.
- 23. Our currency of pennies and pounds is one of the oldest in the world that is still in use after 1200 years.
- 24. So back to London again! London also has one of the oldest transport systems in the world and one of the largest both under–ground and above–ground.
- 25. London has the largest library in the world.
- 26. London is a city where many people from countries all around the world come to visit. It has the highest number of languages spoken, by inhabitants and visitors, than in any other country more than 300 languages.
- 27. Finish!