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Kurzvorstellung:	<p>Diese fertig ausgearbeiteten Arbeitsblätter zur englischen Landeskunde setzen sich mit dem Schulsystem Großbritanniens auseinander. Dabei merken die SchülerInnen schnell, dass es kein komplett einheitliches System gibt. Mit den Gemeinsamkeiten und Unterschieden setzen sie sich in der Folge auseinander.</p> <p>Die Schüler können den Inhalt selbständig erarbeiten und das individuelle Lerntempo jeweils anpassen. Dies gewährleistet die Binnendifferenzierung ohne gesonderte Aufgabenstellung.</p>
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School system in the UK

The school system is not the same in every part of the UK! Do the following tasks to find out more.

1. Read the following text. Then, fill in the chart with the information from the text.

Education in the UK

The UK does not have one school system, but four, depending on where you go to school: In England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland? However, there are some similarities between the school systems. In the UK (i.e. in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland), the first level of education is known as primary education. From the age of 5 to 7 children attend the Infant school. From the age of 7 until 11 they go to Junior Schools. After Junior School, children attend some form of secondary school, which differs between the different parts of the UK. There are different school types in the UK. There are state schools, which are run by the government. This means parents do not have to pay fees. **Approximately ninety percent of the children in England attend a state school. There are also ‘public’ schools, at which parents have to pay school fees for their children to attend these schools. They are also known as Independent Schools.**

In England, Wales, and Northern Ireland, full-time education is compulsory for all children between the ages of 5 and 16. After that, students can continue their secondary education for a further two years (in the so-called sixth form), resulting in a qualification for the A-levels. Secondary schools provide compulsory education for children between the ages of eleven and sixteen in England. Children can either go to a Grammar School (German equivalent would be the Gymnasium) or a Comprehensive School (German equivalent is the Gesamtschule). From the ages of fourteen to sixteen, pupils study for the General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE), which is compulsory for all students. Pupils who stay at school from the ages of sixteen to eighteen in England, may take the Advanced (A) level examination, which traditionally is required to enter higher education.

The National Curriculum in England contains four core subjects, namely Mathematics, English, Science and Information Communication Technology, together with the foundation subjects of Information Technology, Design Technology, Geography, History, Art, Music and Physical Education. Religious Education is also provided for all children. In secondary school, children have to learn one modern foreign language, which can be French, German or Spanish. Due to the high demand of Spanish, the teaching of German has decreased over the last years. In secondary school pupils can also choose drama.

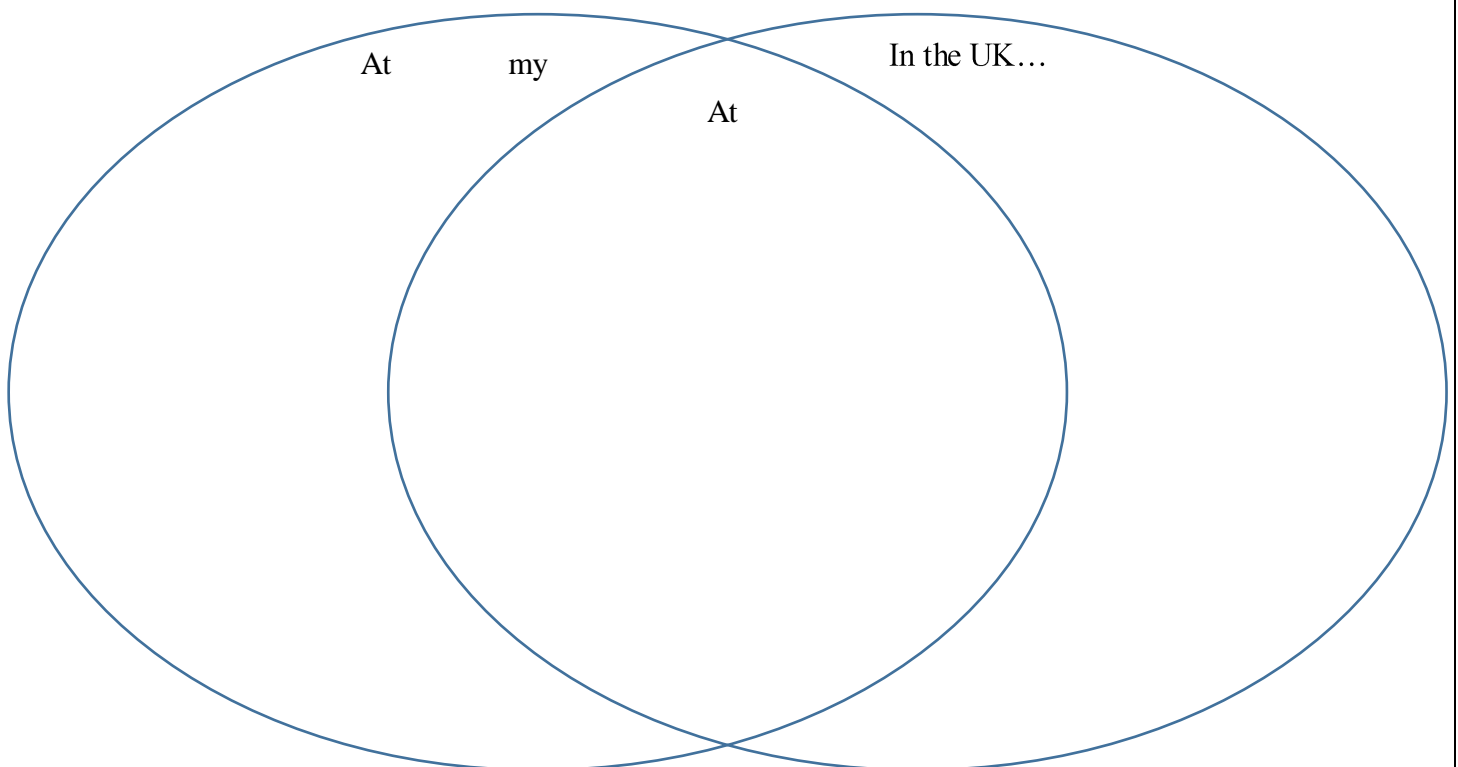
In Scotland, the education system is similar to England, Wales and Northern Ireland, but there are some differences as well. While the curriculum in England, Wales and Northern Ireland emphasizes on a limited range of subjects, Scotland's curriculum includes a wider range. Furthermore, the Scottish school system is also divided into primary school and secondary school, which is often referred to as high school. However, children attend school at an earlier age: Scottish children already start primary school between the ages of 4 and 5. In Scotland, pupils finish the compulsory school years with a so-called Standard Grade or with intermediate exams at the age of fifteen/sixteen for normally eight subjects including compulsory exams in the main subjects such as English, Mathematics, a Science subject (they choose between Physics, Biology or Chemistry) and a Social Subject (such as Geography, History or Modern Studies). The school leaving age is generally at sixteen (after completion of the Standard Grades), after which students may choose to remain at school and study for a Higher Grade and Advanced Higher exams. In Scotland, it is even possible to follow the English system to and study towards GCSE instead of Standard Grades, and towards A and AS-Levels instead of Higher Grade and Advanced Higher exams. This is usually offered at Independent Schools.

	England, Wales and Northern Ireland	Scotland
Age of school entry		
Age of leaving school		
Primary school levels		
Secondary school levels		
School types		
School qualifications		
Subjects		

4. Look at the following timetable from a typical school day at a school in the UK.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 – 9.40	English	Maths	Religious Studies	History	Maths
9.45 – 10.25	Spanish	English	History	Chemistry	Biology
10.30 – 11.10	History	English	Spanish	English	Biology
11.10 – 11.30	Break				
11.35 – 12.15	Chemistry	Biology	Maths	Physics	History
12.20 – 13.00	Chemistry	Spanish	Maths	Maths	Religious Studies
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch				
14.00 – 14.40	Religious Studies	Games	Physics	Games	Art
14.45 – 15.25	Art	Activities	Religious Studies	Activities	Art
15.30 – 16.10	Assembly	Activities	Tutor/ House time	Activities	Spanish
16.10 – 16.25	Break				
16.25 – 17.10	Assembly	Activities	Tutor/ House Time	Activities	Games

5. Compare the timetable to the usual timetable at your school. Fill in the following diagram with similarities and differences.





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