

While you listen

The *Britain is Great* series tells you about some of the things that make Britain so great. There's a lot of fun facts – and lots of good language, too. See if you can answer the questions while you watch the video.

Comprehension Task 1 - Which is the best title for the video?

1. The best of Britain's national parks
2. A look at Lake Windemere and its surroundings
3. A visit to some varied British landscapes

Comprehension Task 2 - What do these numbers refer to in the video?

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| a) 1.35 | d) 15 |
| b) 3 | e) 66 |
| c) 6 | |

1. The number of national parks in Britain.
2. The depth of Lake Windemere - in metres.
3. The number of people who go on cruises on Lake Windemere - in millions.
4. The number of people who visit the Snowdonia National Park every year - in millions.
5. The length of the bay on the north coast of Wales - in kilometres.

Language Task 1 - Can you re-order the words to make sentences from the video?

1. beautiful in / is said / to be / one of / Great Britain / This area / the most
2. the lakes / people / to see / every year? / How many / like this / choose
3. carry on / 1.35 million / We / people on / boats / average / our
4. many people / think so / find / this area / Why do / appealing? / you
5. you have / is / around / you / All / to do / look

Language Task 2 - Richard said "This area *is said to be one of the most beautiful in Great Britain.*" Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one. Don't use the word 'people', and use the verb in brackets.

1. People say that the house is haunted by the ghost of a little girl.
The house _____ haunted by the ghost of a little girl. (said)
2. People believe that Angelina Jolie is the best-paid actress in Hollywood.
Angelina Jolie _____ the best-paid actress in Hollywood. (believed)

3. People think the bank robbers stole over a million pounds.

The robbers _____ over a million pounds. (thought)

4. People say that Queen Elizabeth I slept in this bed.

Queen Elizabeth I _____ in this bed. (said)

5. In the Middle Ages, people thought the Earth was flat.

In the Middle Ages, the Earth _____ flat.
(thought)

6. People know that the prisoners have escaped twice before.

The prisoners _____ twice before. (known)

Comprehension Task 1 : 3**Comprehension Task 2 : 1.d, 2.e, 3.a, 4c, 5.b**

Language Task 1 : 1. This area is said to be one of the most beautiful in Great Britain.; 2. How many people choose to see the lakes like this every year?;

3. We carry on average 1.35 million people on our boats.; 4. Why do you think so many people find this area appealing?; 5. All you have to do is look around you.
Language Task 2 : 1. is said to be; 2. is believed to be; 3. are thought to have stolen; 4. is said to have slept; 5. was thought to be; 6. are known to have escaped