



Ireland Webquest

"May there always be work for your hands to do, may your purse always carry a shilling or two, may the sun always play on your windowpane, may a rainbow chase after each spot of rain, may the hand of a friend always be near you, may God fill your heart with gladness and cheer you."

Learn about the country of Ireland with this fun web quest!

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1 What is the highest mountain peak in Ireland?_____ What is the main river in Ireland?_____. The river is _____ miles long and empties into this body of water. _____ Find the answers at this site: . <http://www.factmonster.com/ipka/A0107648.html>

2. What is the capital of Ireland?_____ Near which body of water is the nearby bay closest?_____ What is the name of the peninsula which is the furthest west?_____ Find the answers at this site: <http://www.enchantedlearning.com/europe/ireland/activity.shtml>

3.What is Ireland's nickname_____?How did it get this name_____?The first coins of Ireland showed they cared for nature. What was on the coins?_____ Find the answers at this site: http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/content/kids/en_US/explore/countries/ireland/

4.What is Ireland's national emblem? _____Ireland is the only country in the world to use a _____ as its national emblem. Find the answer at this site: <http://www.apples4theteacher.com/elibrary/ireland-the-country.html>

5. People have lived in Ireland for _____ years. The most famous ancient burial ground is called_____ and was built about _____ What happens on the winter solstice at this burial site? _____ Find the answers at this site: <http://www.apples4theteacher.com/elibrary/ireland-the-country.html> Click arrows to find the information

6. This sport of Ireland is similar to hockey and is called_____ It is considered to be _____ oldest field game. Unlike hockey, what

can you do with the ball?_____ What rule applies?
_____ Find the answers at this site: [http://
homepage.eircom.net/~whitechurchns/cashel_sport.htm#
nationalsports](http://homepage.eircom.net/~whitechurchns/cashel_sport.htm#nationalsports)

7. In the town of Tralee you can see a mural made in honor
of_____, a _____ who sailed to _____ in the _____
century. If you visit the Blarney Castle, most people try and do
this._____ Why is it a bit frightening to do?
_____ Find the answers at this site: [http://
www.gailhennessey.com/index.shtml?ireland.html](http://www.gailhennessey.com/index.shtml?ireland.html)

8. What special gift is said to be given the person that kissing the
Blarney Stone?_____ The Stone is believed to have come
from_____. Called the Stone of Scone, what was it used
to do? Find the answers at this link:(Click on Blarney Stone) [http://
www.iol.ie/~discover/blarney.htm](http://www.iol.ie/~discover/blarney.htm)

9. Found in Northern Ireland, this natural wonder is called
the_____. Similar columns of stone are found at the other
end of the waters by _____. Legend says this is the work of a
giant named _____. Used as fuel for thousands of years,
what is peat?_____ How have people used peat?
_____ What is Ireland's famous tourist attraction
that overlooks the Atlantic Ocean?_____ Find the
answers at this site: [http://www.gailhennessey.com/index.shtml?
worldtravel.html](http://www.gailhennessey.com/index.shtml?worldtravel.html)

10. If you visit the natural wonder of Northern Ireland, there are
about _____ columns, mostly hexagonal in shape. The
tallest column is _____ft. tall and the solid lava in the cliffs

is_____ ft. thick in spots. Find the answers at this site: <http://www.geographia.com/northern-ireland/ukiant01.htm>

11. An Irish saying states, "A country without a language is a country without a soul. What is the national language of Ireland? _____ or _____ How would you say "welcome" in Ireland's national language? _____

Find the answers at this site: http://homepage.eircom.net/%7Ewhitechurchns/moher_culture.htm#language



Harvested peat stack for drying. *Photograph by Gail Hennessey

Mapskill:

Use these maps to answer the following questions: Also, review the information found next to the map:

<http://www.ducksters.com/geography/country/ireland.php> and <http://www.factmonster.com/atlas/country/ireland.html>

1. What is the capital city of Northern Ireland?

_____Northern Ireland is part of which country?

2. What is the capital of the Republic of Ireland?

3. According to the map, what is the main river in the country of Ireland, which flows near the city of Limerick?

4. On which continent is Ireland considered?_____

5. Which body of water is to the west of Ireland?_____

6. Which body of water is to the east of Dublin?_____

7. What is the name of the highest point in Ireland?

8. Which city in Ireland is the furthest south?_____



The Pulnabrone Dolmen is probably the most famous in Ireland. Said to be prehistoric burial tombs for children, it is found in the Burrens of Ireland

***Photograph by Gail Hennessey**

The Green Game

Test you knowledge about the color green!

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The answers have to do with the color green:

- 1. Name three green vegetables: _____**
- 2. Name a green flower that has to do with St. Patrick's Day: _____**
- 3. In the Wizard of Oz, which color green is the name of the city where the wizard lives? _____**
- 4. This valuable stone, famous in China, is a color of _____**

green: _____

5. Name three green creatures: _____

6. Who is the famous Sesame Street frog? _____

7. Name two fruits that are green: _____

8. A Dr. Seuss book with green in the title: _____

9. A song that Kermit the Frog sang: _____

10. The green color stage of a butterfly's life when it's changing from a caterpillar to a butterfly: _____

11. A prickly desert plant that is often green: _____

12. A candy that's name is a color of green: _____

13. The famous landmark in New York Harbor that is green: _____

14. The green Sesame Street character that lives in a trash can: _____

15. Superman became weak around this particular green stone: _____

16. Name of a giant that is famous for selling vegetables: _____

17. The green Dr. Seuss character that tried to steal Christmas: _____

18. Large island in the Atlantic Ocean: _____

19. Place where plants are grown indoors: _____

20. If you are good with growing plants, you are said to have this: _____

21. A peanut that is green: _____

22. A green flightless parrot that is from New Zealand _____

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23. This town in Great Britain is where the Prime Meridian(0 degrees longitude) of the World is found: _____*

* These might be a bit more difficult and may need research material.