

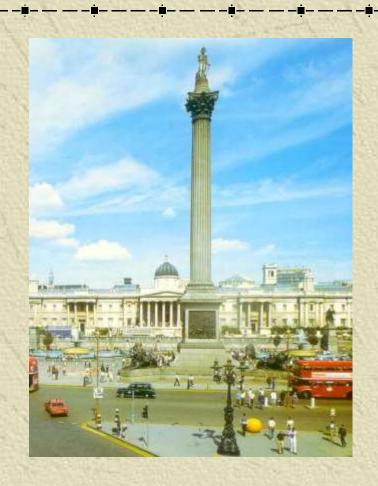
WELCOME TO LONDON!

Trafalgar Square

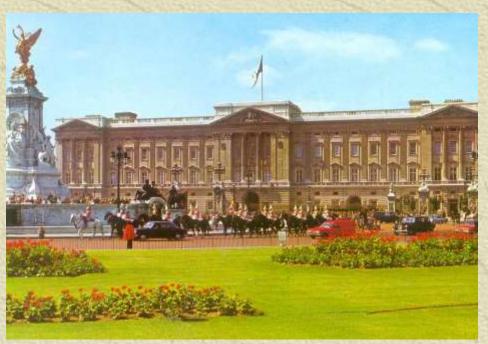


Trafalgar Square

- * There are always a lot of people and pigeons on the square.
- Every winter there is a big Christmas tree which is a gift from Norway in the middle of the square.
- * On New Year's Eve people gather around the tree.
- In the middle of the square there is Admiral Nelson's Column.



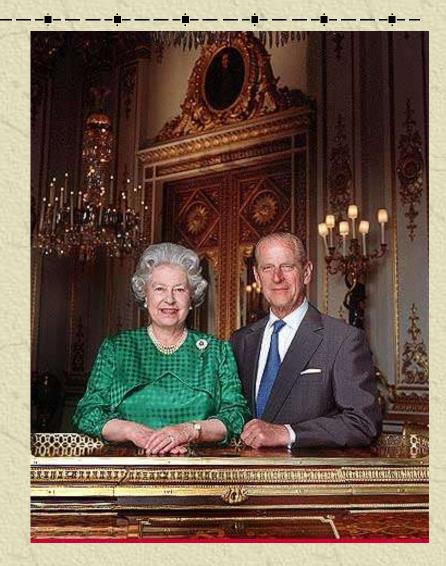
Buckingham Palace



- * This is the Queen's home.
- * It was built in 1703.
 - There is a great collection of paintings.

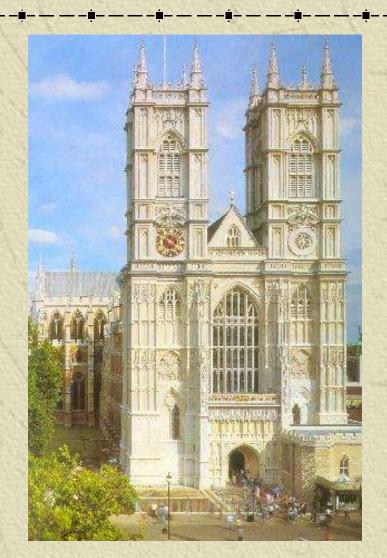


- * The Queen of Great
 Britain is Elizabeth II. Her
 husband is Duke of
 Edinburgh.
- ** They have got 4 grown-up children: Prince Charles, Princess Anne, Prince Andrew and Prince Edward.

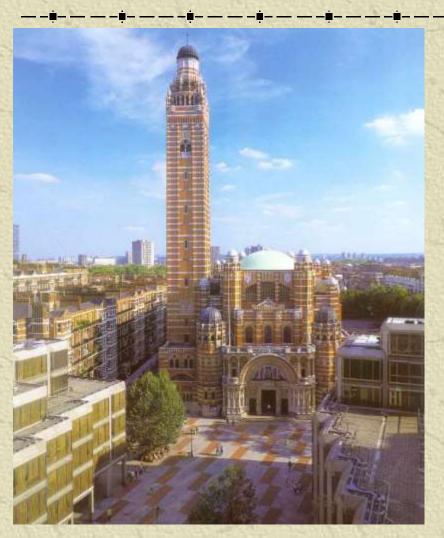




- * This is a holy place.
- * All English kings have been crowned and buried in the church since 1308.



Westminster Cathedral



- It was built between 1895 and 1903.
- * This is the seat of the Cardinal Archbishop and the leading Roman Catholic Church in England.
- * Its bell tower is 84 metres high.

The Houses of Parliament

- * This big palace is the most famous building in the world the British Parliament.
- * The building is 280 metres long.
- * There are more than 1000 rooms.







Big Ben, the big clock tower, is the symbol of London. It strikes hours.

Tower

 The Tower of London has been a fortress, a palace, an arsenal, a mint, a prison, an observatory, a zoo, the home of the Crown Jewels and a tourist attraction.





- The Tower's greatest treasure is the Imperial State Crown.
- There are 2 800 diamonds on it.





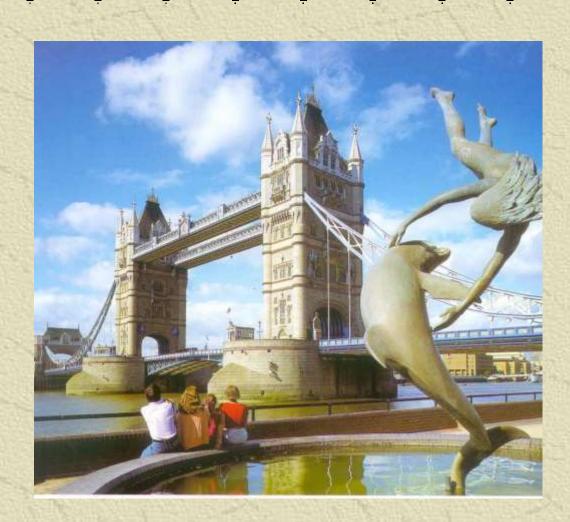


- * The quards of the Tower are called Beefeaters.
- * The legend says that if the ravens leave, the Tower and the country will fall.



Tower Bridge

* The most famous bridge in London is a Tower bridge.



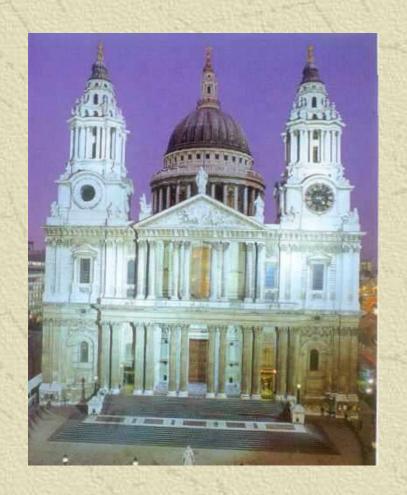
Tower Bridge



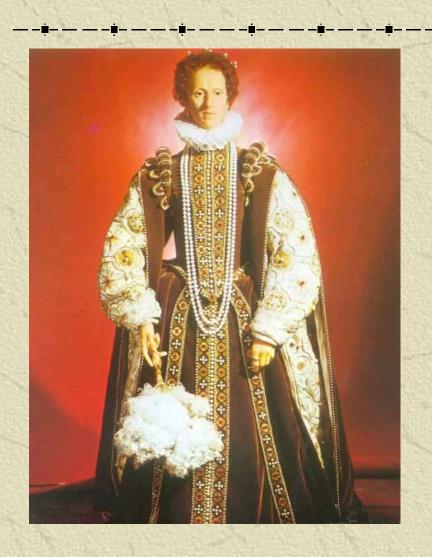
- Tower Bridge is a bascule-bridge.
- * The bascules will open to let ships pass through.



- * St.Paul's Cathedral is a famous building too.
- * Prince Charles and Princess Diana married here in 1981.



Madame Tussauds Waxmuseum



- * Here you can see famous people, good and bad, made of wax.
- * This is Queen Elizabeth I.

King Henry VIII with his wives



Double-deckers

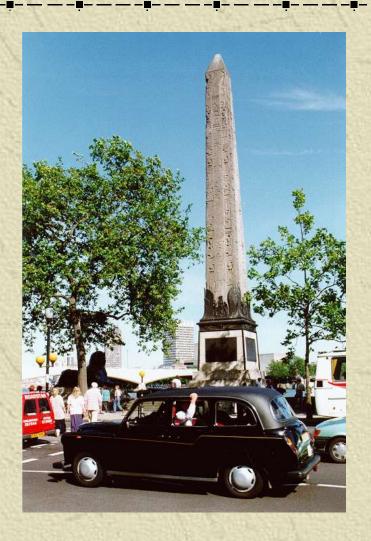


- * There are big red buses called double-deckers in London.
- * People sit upstairs and downstairs on these buses.
- Tourists like them very much.

Taxis

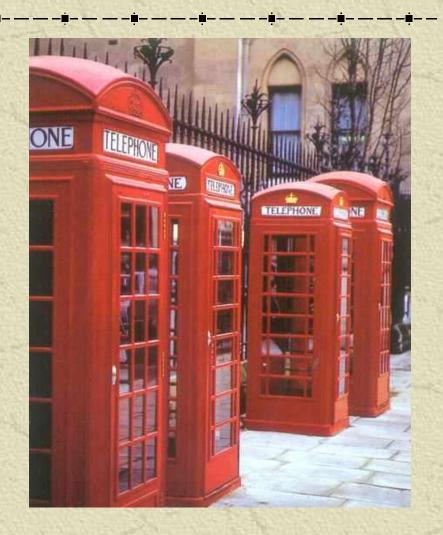
* Taxis in London are old-fashioned black cars.



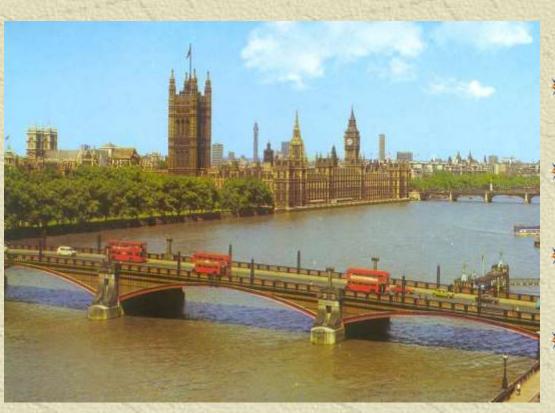


Telephone booths

From here you can call your friends.



River Thames



- Thames flows through London.
- * The River Thames is 338 km long.
- * It is 245 m wide here.
- * Even big seaships can visit London.