

## What is a National Park?

There are currently 15 National Parks found in the UK. They are areas of land Protected by the government because of their beautiful countryside, wildlife and cultural heritage . Their farms, villages and towns are also protected. An example of a National Park is the Lake District .

## Who owns the National Parks?

Private landowners

Farmers and organisations like the National Trust are some of the landowners, along with the thousands of people who live in the villages and towns.

National Park Authorities own bits of land.

#### NATIONAL PARKS Britain's breathing spaces

### Task:

Can you identify each of the National Parks found in the UK.

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# The 15 National Parks

- 1. Brecon Beacon
- 2. The Broads
- 3. Cairngorms
- 4. Dartmoor
- 5. Exmoor
- 6. Lake District
- 7. Lock Lomond
- 8. New Forest
- 9.Northumberland
- 10. N.York Moors
- 11. Peak District
- 12. Pembrokeshire Coast
- 13. Snowdonia
- 14. South Downs
- 15. Yorkshire Dales

# Task

Choose one National Park from the map. Produce a powerpoint presentation on your National Park, including the follow, and anything else that you think is important.

- Location (map).
- How big it is?
- When did it become a National Park?
- Why did it become a National Park?
- The geographical features eg. rivers and mountains
- What is it renowned for?
- Activities on offer in the National Park.
- What wildlife, trees and flowers are there?
- Information about the local area.
- Number of people that visit each year.

### The National Park websites are:

Brecon Beacons National Park: <u>www.breconbeacons.org</u> The Broads National Park: <u>www.broads-authority.gov.uk</u> Cairngorms National Park: <u>http://cairngorms.co.uk</u> Dartmoor National Park: <u>www.dartmoor.gov.uk</u> Exmoor National Park: <u>www.exmoor-nationalpark.gov.uk</u> Lake District National Park: <u>www.lakedistrict.gov.uk</u> Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park: <u>www.lochlomondtrossachs.org</u>

New Forest National Park: <u>www.newforestnpa.gov.uk</u> Northumberland National Park: <u>www.northumberlandnationalpark.org.uk</u> North York Moors National Park: <u>www.northyorkmoors.org.uk</u> Peak District National Park: <u>www.peakdistrict.gov.uk</u> Pembrokeshire Coast National Park: <u>www.pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk</u> Snowdonia National Park: <u>www.eryri-npa.gov.uk</u> South Downs National Park: <u>www.southdowns.gov.uk</u> Yorkshire Dales National Park: <u>www.yorkshiredales.org.uk</u>