# 04. London

#### Location

Capital of the UK Situated in south-eastern Great Britain River the Thames flow through London

# **Population**

Huge metropolis

Two small cities in the centre

The City of London (oldest part)

The City of Westminster (political centre)

Largest city in the UK, third largest city in Europe

About 7.8 million citizens.

# **Means of Transport**

Signature black taxis (cab); Red double decker; Underground
The oldest underground in the world with 11 lines and it is known as "tube"

# **Important buildings**

There are lots of historical monuments and buildings, where the most known are:

Big Ben - Bell in Clock Tower

The houses of parliament

**Buckingham palace** – place of queen

Madame Tussauds museum – wax museum with famous people

**221b Baker street** – Home of Sherlock Holmes

**10 Downing Street** – number 10; house of prime minister

**Tower of London** – historical castle; prison; crown jewels

St Paul's Cathedral - most known cathedral

### Other

Green capital = many large parks

Hyde Park – Most famous park; "Speakers' Corner" → free speech