

Lesson

2

Ancient England, Scotland and Wales

1

Read the text and complete it with the missing words.

monument • stones • Wales • prehistoric • transported • Archaeologists • circle

Stonehenge

Stonehenge is one of Britain's most famous landmarks. It is a (1) monument near Salisbury in south-west England. It is a (2) of enormous standing stones, some of which are nearly 7 metres tall.

(3) think Stonehenge was built between 3000 and 1500 BC (Before Christ).

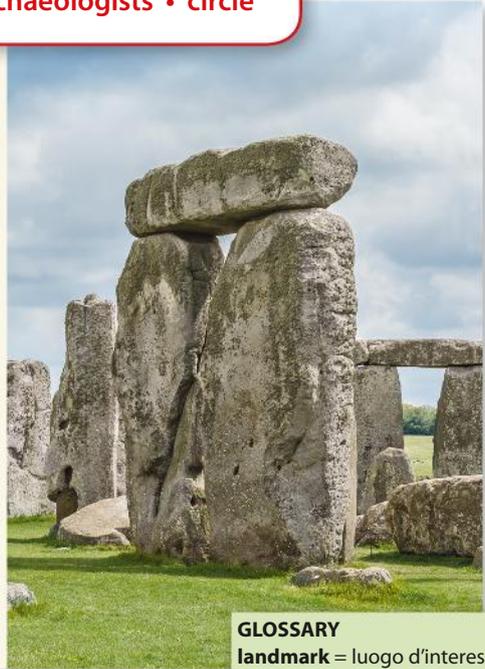
It is a mystery how the neolithic people built such an impressive

(4) with only simple tools. The larger

(5) came from the local area but the smaller stones in the centre, the 'Bluestones', probably came from

(6), over 250 km away. Nobody knows why Stonehenge was built or how these two to five ton stones were (7) here.

Stonehenge became a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1986.



GLOSSARY

landmark = luogo d'interesse

nearly = quasi

tool = attrezzo

ton = tonnellata

2

Read the text and complete the missing letters to create correct words. All the words you need are in Lesson 1.

Historic castles in Scotland

Stirling Castle is in Stirling, in southern Scotland. It is one of the country's biggest and most **i_p_o_t_n_t** castles. It has a very strategic position, sitting on a big rock called Castle Hill, and surrounded by steep **cl_f_s**. Most of it was built in the 15th and 16th centuries. Many **Sc_t_i_h** kings and queens were crowned here, including Mary Queen of Scots in 1542.

People say that Eilean Donan is Scotland's most famous and **b_a_t_f_l** castle. It is situated in the romantic **l_n_s_a_e** of the Scottish Highlands on the west coast. The impressive castle was built in the 13th century on an **i_l_n** surrounded by three large sea lochs. It is near to the majestic Isle of Skye.

