

## 8. HUNGARY/BUDAPEST

1. Where is Hungary? What is it bordered by? What is the highest mountain/peak? What is the biggest lake? What are the longest rivers?
2. What is the capital of Hungary? How big is Bp.? How many people live there? What are the two parts of the capital? How many districts are there?
3. What's the weather like in Budapest/Hungary?
4. What are the Famous sights?
5. What is Budapest (Hungary) famous for? Why are the tourists coming to Hun? Where do you go if you want to drink/eat?
6. What can you do or see in Budapest?
7. What is a Hungaricum? Name some Hungaricums/famous Hungarian people!

1. Hungary is in the middle-east of Europe. It is the member of the European Union (EU).

It is bordered by Austria, Slovakia, Ukraine , Romania, Serbia, Croatia and Slovenia. The highest mountain/peak is Kékes (1014m high) The biggest lake is Balaton and the longest rivers are Danube and Tisza.

2. The capital of Hungary is the biggest city, Budapest. Bp. is in the north of Hungary, it is 525 km<sup>2</sup> (five-hundred twenty-five square kms.) About 10 million people live in Hun. and about 1.5 (one point five) million live in Bp. The capital has two parts Buda (on the right/west) and Pest (on the left/east). There are 23 (twenty-three) districts, 6 in Buda and 16 in Pest and one on Csepel Island.
3. There are 4 seasons. Winter is cold about -5 (minus five) degrees, summer is hot and sunny about 35 (thirty-five) degrees. Spring and autumn are often windy and rainy.
4. Famous sights are Chain Bridge, the Buda Castle, Fishermen's Bastion, Heroes Square, Matthias Church, Margit Island, Gellért Hill, Andrassy Avenue, Millennium Underground Railway (second oldest underground in the world, It was built between 1894-96).
5. Bp/Hun is also famous for its spas and baths like Gellért, Széchenyi and Rudas. If you come to Bp you can go to the city centre, to Dohány street and you can have a drink in one of the many famous "romkocsma" or ruin-pub.
6. Tourist can visit many famous/popular festivals such as: Sziget Festival, Balaton Sound or the Volt Festival in Sopron and if you like horse racing Nemzeti Vágtá is a great place to have fun. If you like fireworks on August the 20<sup>th</sup> you can watch them. If you want to drink or eat Liszt Ferenc square is a good place (to start). On Váci Street or Vörösmarty Square you can buy many Hungaricums.

7. Hungaricums are unique Hungarian products come from Hungary. Like: gulash soup, Unicum, dots (túró-rudi), porcelain from Herend, Pick Salami, Tokaj wine, onion from Makó, red paprika, pálinka.  
Some famous people from Hungary are, Hosszú Katinka (swimmer), Szent Györgyi Albert (who discovered vitamin c), Jedlik Ányos, Kertész Imre (nobel prize writer) Zsigmond Vilmos (filmmaker), Andy Vajna (producer).