



Yorkshire is the largest historical county England. Modern Yorkshire is divided into four counties: North Yorkshire, South Yorkshire, West Yorkshire and East Riding of Yorkshire. The combined population is over 5 million. Yorkshire used to be part of the Kingdom of Jorvik, which was a Viking kingdom from the late 9th and early 10th century. The main city at that time's name York comes from the word Jorvik. Yorkshire's flag is usually a white rose on a blue background. The white rose comes from the House of York which was a royal house in the late 15th century.

Some of Yorkshire's most famous cities and towns are Leeds, Bradford, Sheffield and York. Leeds, Bradford and Sheffield became famous during the Industrial Revolution; Leeds and Bradford for textiles and Sheffield for steel. Harrogate, my hometown, was originally a spa town and it became popular during the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. Nowadays it is a popular conference and exhibition destination. Yorkshire Tea and Harrogate Spring Water are two of the most famous products from Harrogate.

## ► Vocabulary

**ayup (hello / look out)**

Ayup, how are you?

**right (very / really)**

That curry was right hot.

**nowt (nothing)**

There's nowt interesting on tele.

**owt (anything)**

Do you have owt to eat, I'm starvin?

**t' (the)**

I'm off down t'shops.

**were instead of was singular use**

I were watching the football game.

**int (isn't)**

It's hot, int it?

**ant (hasn't / haven't)**

We've been watching t'game, ant we?

## ► Example Sentences

**Make your own sentences about Japan:**

1. (Yorkshire) is (the biggest county in England), int (it)?

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_, int \_\_\_\_\_?

2. (He) should (try Yorkshire pudding), shunt (he)?

\_\_\_\_\_ should \_\_\_\_\_, shunt \_\_\_\_\_?

3. (Keiko) has (drunk Yorkshire Tea before), ant (she)?

\_\_\_\_\_ has / have \_\_\_\_\_, ant \_\_\_\_\_?