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11

How many times larger than the U.K is Russia?

70

What percentage of Russia is covered by tundra?

30%

Can I compare life in Russia  
and China to the U.K?

Almost one fifth of the planet's population lives in China. The country is incredibly large, which means that there is lot of diversity in the way people live their lives.

There are 1.3 billion more people in China than there are in the U.K.



Due to China's incredibly large population, farming for food is incredibly important. Rice is a large part of the daily diet in China, and China creates 30% of the entire planet's rice crop.



Rice is most commonly grown in rural areas, away from the cities. Although the work is very important, rice farmers are not paid a lot and often live in houses that are very different to what we would expect in the U.K.



School in China is also quite different to the U.K. In China, all children take part in exercises in the morning before school. Corporal punishment (hitting children) is also not illegal in China, although it is in the U.K.



The Lunar New Year is celebrated in China every spring to mark the beginning of the Lunar calendar. Each year has an animal associated with it. 2020 is the year of the rat.

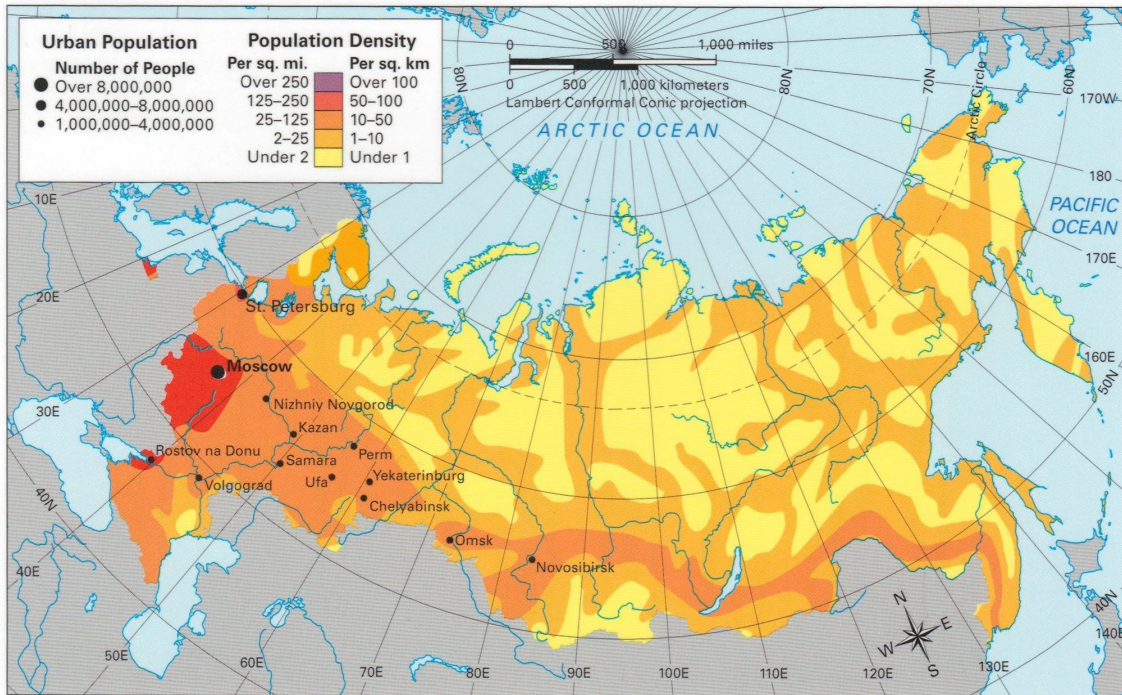


Watch the first 3 minutes of this video:

<https://safeyoutube.net/w/mzcE>

What differences does this man who lived in China mention in his video? Take notes.

Population Density of Russia



In Russia, life is more similar to the U.K than in China. Most Russian people live on the western side of the country, which makes them a part of Europe, giving Russian people more in common with us in their daily lives.



In Russia, unlike the U.K, it is possible to go to university for free, if you can pass certain exams. Although the number of free places is dropping, many students are still able to make use of this system.



Russia also has compulsory military service for every man in the country.

This means that once he is old enough, every man in the country must serve at least one year in the army.

Avoiding this service is punishable by up to 2 years in prison.