

## G 4.1 The Maltese Islands

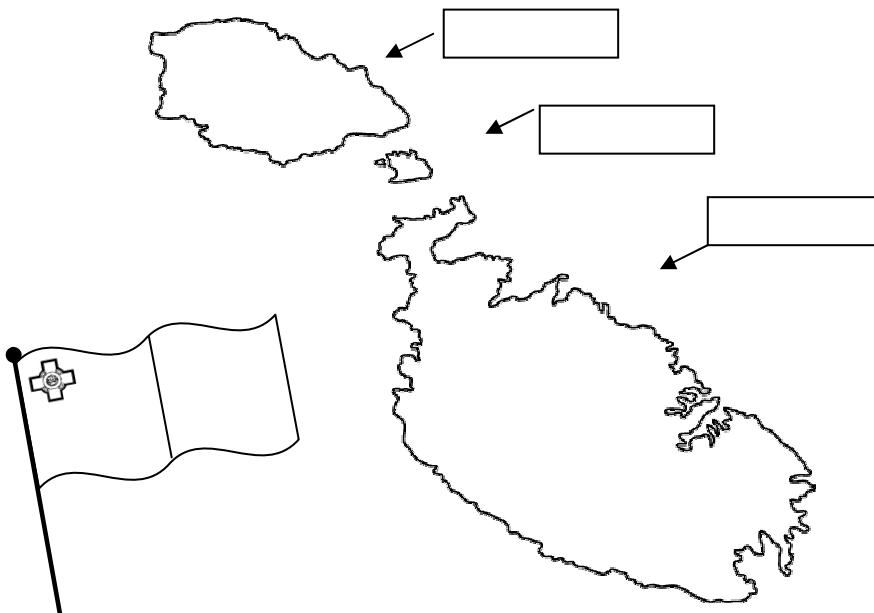


### G4.1.2

Let us learn how to find some Maltese places on a map.

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### A. The Maltese Islands



Malta, Gozo and  
Comino are three  
islands in the  
Mediterranean Sea.

The capital city of  
Malta is Valletta.

The capital city of  
Gozo is Victoria.

The Maltese flag is  
white and red.

### B. Valletta



1. Valletta is the capital city of Malta;
2. It was built during the times of the Knights of St John and it's named after the Grand Master Jean de La Valette;

3. The roads in Valletta are all straight and it's surrounded by bastions - these served to defend Malta against enemy attack;
4. It is a commercial city with a lot of different shops, a market and leisure centres amongst which cinemas, restaurants and hotels;
5. Some important (historical) buildings in Valletta are St John's CoCathedral, the President's Palace, Castille, Upper and Lower Barracca Gardens, the Law Courts, the Archeological Museum and more.



### C. Victoria

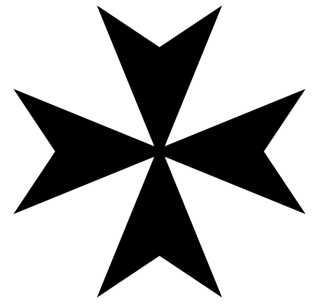


1. Victoria is the capital city of Gozo.
2. It is a very old city with a number of very narrow roads. It is located in the central part (in the middle) of the island of Gozo.
3. An important construction which can be found in Victoria is the Cittadella -the Cittadella is built on a hill and is surrounded by bastions. Here we find the Cathedral dedicated to Saint Mary.
4. In Victoria too, there are a lot of shops, a market, restaurants and hotels.

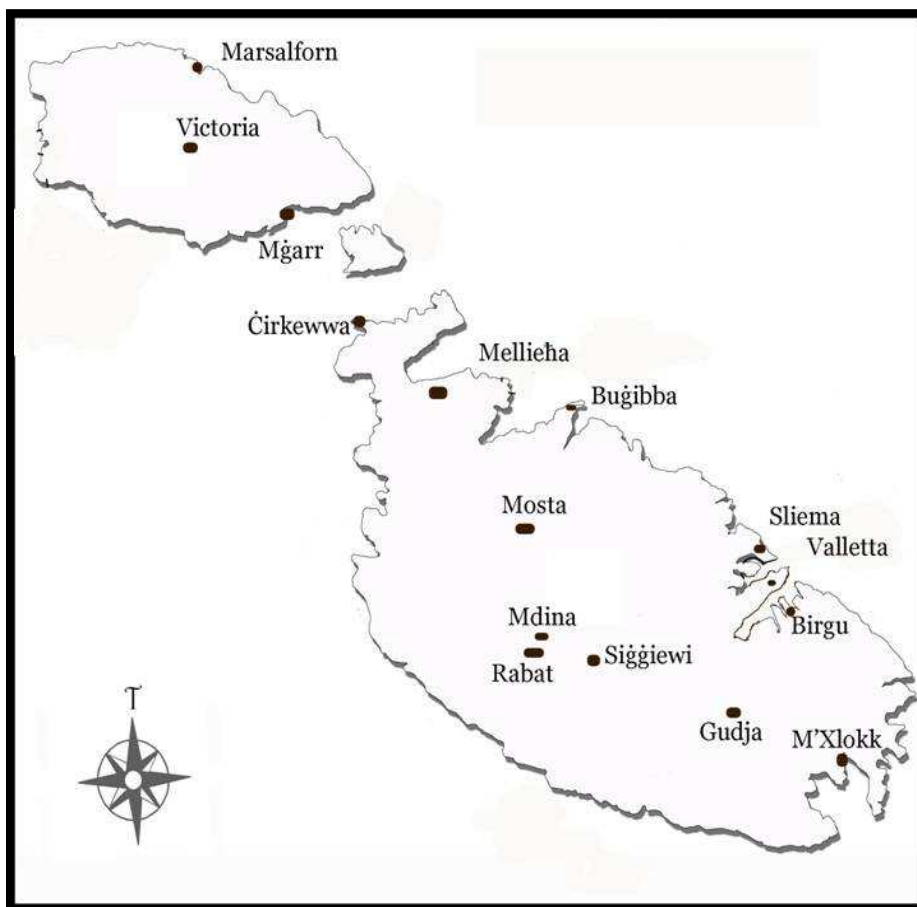


## D. My Village or Town.

1. Learn the name of the town or village you live in.
2. Mark the location of your town or village on the map.
3. Discuss the work done by your Local Council and learn the Mayor's name.
4. Visit and talk about places of interest and importance in your town/village.
5. Describe what kind of place it is (ex. tourist centre, commercial, fishing, etc.).
6. After speaking to an elderly person, explain how your town/village has changed through the years.



## E. Learn the location of the places written on this map



**F.** Look at a map of the Harbour and learn the location of Valletta, Sliema and Birgu.



**G.** Match by writing the number in the blank boxes.

1. Malta's old city, built on a hill		Marsaxlokk
2. A village known for fishing, in Malta		Gudja
3. Malta's new capital city		Mosta
4. A village renowned for its large round dome, the Rotunda		Imgarr
5. Gozo's capital city, built on a hill		Valletta
6. Gozo's main harbour		Imdina
7. The airport is found here		Siggiewi
8. A village built on a hill overlooking Ghadira Bay		Victoria
9. The Inquisitor's Palace is found here		Mellieħa
10. A town near the sea, very popular with tourists		Ċirkewwa
11. A large village in Malta near which there are a lot of quarries		Sliema
12. A place by the sea, in Gozo, where there are a lot of summer residences		Birgu
13. The Gozo ferry leaves Malta from here		Marsalforn