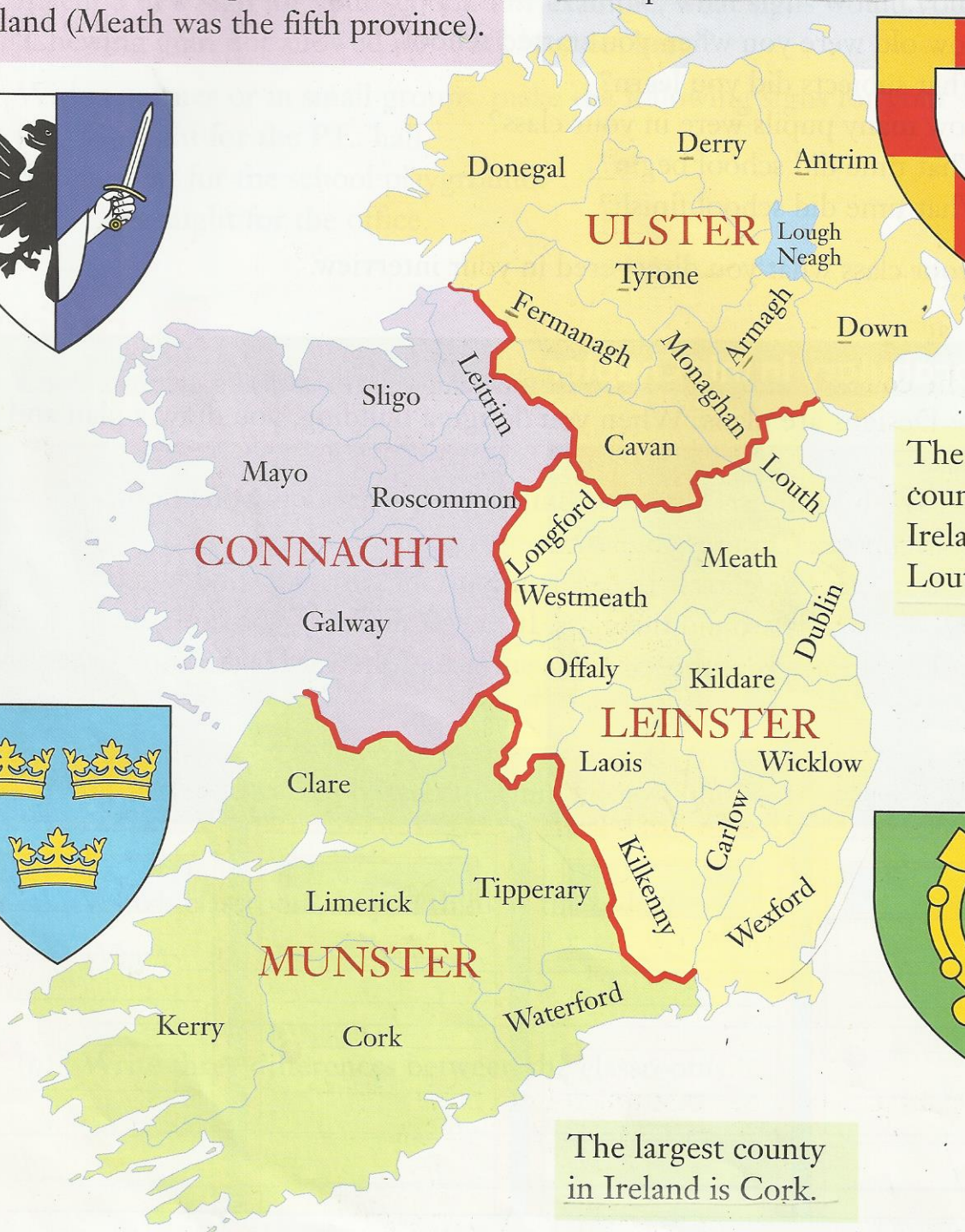
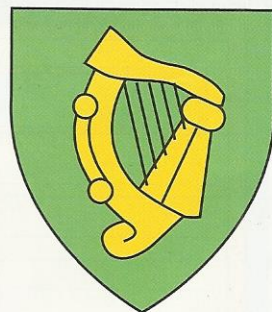
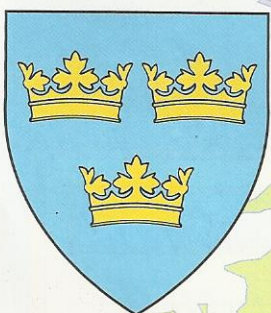


Chapter 9

Ireland – Provinces and Counties

There are four **provinces** in Ireland: Munster, Connacht, Leinster and Ulster. The Irish word for province is cúige which means fifth, because long ago there were five provinces in Ireland (Meath was the fifth province).

There are thirty-two counties in Ireland. Six of the nine counties of Ulster form Northern Ireland. F.T.D.A.D.A. The other twenty-six counties form the Republic of Ireland.



The smallest county in Ireland is Louth.

The largest county in Ireland is Cork.

Strand Unit: County, regional and national centres.

40 Objective: This chapter enables pupils to develop a sense of place and space by focusing on how counties form an important geographical division within Ireland.

Activity A

- (a) Name your home county. _____

(b) Name the counties that touch your county. _____

- How many counties are in each province?

Munster _____ Connacht _____

Leinster _____ Ulster _____
- List the counties in each province.

Ulster _____

Munster _____

Leinster _____

Connacht _____

- List the counties that have no coastline. _____

- List the counties that have a coastline. _____

Activity B

- Three counties begin with the letter **K**. List them.

- Five counties begin with the letter **L**. List them.

- Name the five counties that touch Lough Neagh.
