
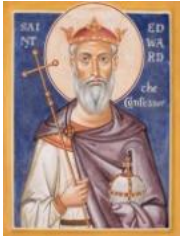


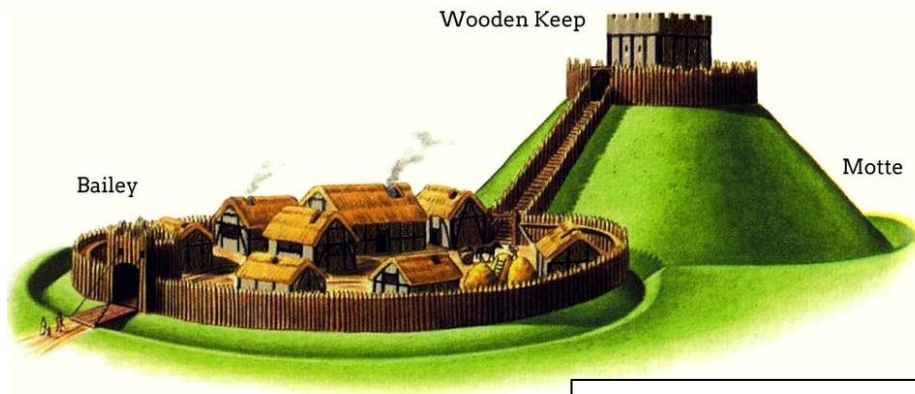


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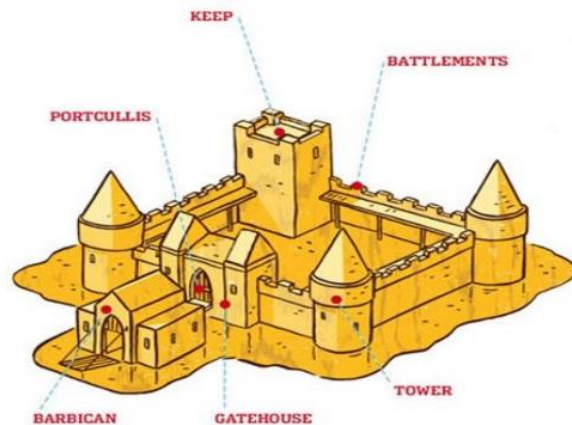
Castles Knowledge Organiser

Key Vocabulary	Key Questions and Facts		
<p>Castle – a type of home that was built to protect the people inside.</p> <p>Monarch – a person who reigns over a kingdom or empire (such as a King or Queen)</p> <p>Turret – a small tower built on the castle, at the corner or on top of a large tower.</p> <p>Moat – a deep, broad ditch, either dry or filled with water that is dug and surrounds a castle.</p> <p>Battle – a fight between two armed sides</p> <p>Portcullis – iron or wooden gating that hangs in the entry to a castle.</p> <p>Medieval – period of time from 11th Century to 16th Century</p> <p>Drawbridge – a bridge that can be lowered or raised to enter and exit a castle</p>	<p>What is a castle?</p> <p>A castle is a large, strong building, built in the past by a ruler or important person to protect the people inside from attack. They were both a home and a fortress.</p>	<p>Why were castles built on hills?</p> <p>They were built to provide safety and protection from attack and to display the owner's rank and wealth. Castles were often built on hilltops or surrounded by water to make them easier to defend.</p>	<p>Who build the first castle in Britain and why?</p> <p>The first proper castles built in England were the Motte and Bailey castles. The Normans from France introduced the Motte and Bailey castle to England.</p>
	<p>What are the two different types of castles called?</p> <p>Motte and bailey castles and castles with stone keeps.</p>	<p>Are there any castles in our local area?</p> <p>Stafford Castle Shrewsbury Castle Dudley Castle Warwick Castle</p> <p>Where is the biggest castle in England? The biggest castle in England is Windsor Castle which is one of the three homes of Queen Elizabeth II.</p>	<p>Why were castles built?</p> <p>They were built to provide safety and protection from attack and to display the owner's rank and wealth.</p>
	Key People		
	 <p><u>King Edward</u></p>	 <p><u>William the Conqueror</u></p>	 <p><u>Harold of Wessex</u></p>
	<p>King of England. Died and passed the crown onto Harold of Wessex but had promised it to William.</p>	<p>Became King in 1066 after defeating Harold of Wessex at the Battle of Hastings. Came from Normandy.</p>	<p>Claimed the crown after King Edward died. Died in the Battle of Hastings.</p>



Motte and Bailey Castle

These castles were built first because they were quick and cheap to build. King William needed castles as soon as possible to defend his new crown. They were made out of wood. It has been said that nearly 1000 motte and bailey castles were built by the Normans.



Keep and Bailey Castles

When the rebellion against King William calmed down they were able to build Keep and Bailey castles, that took longer to build and were made out of stone. Some of them are still around today, including Windsor Castle and the Tower of London.

Useful Websites

Bitesize Castles – Learn lots of interesting facts such as where castles came from, medieval castles and go on a journey with Barnaby Bear around a castle.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z6bpm39>

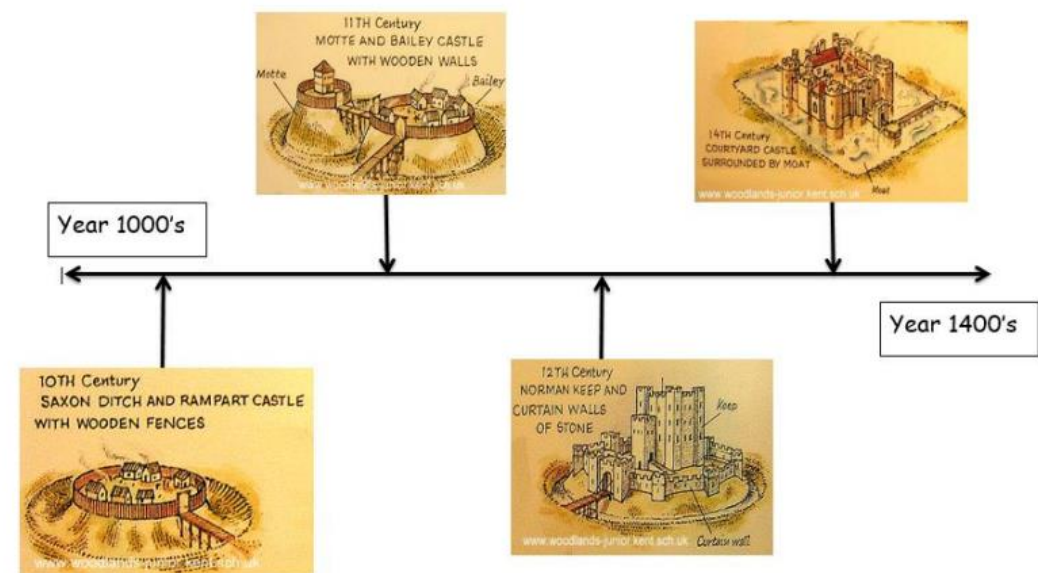
English Heritage Kids – Enjoy taking on the castle learning facts, playing a board game and much more.

<https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/members-area/kids/kids-castles/>

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/castles/motteandbailey.htm>

Castles – Learn lots about the features of a castle through an interactive map.

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/castles/>



Timeline of Castles