



History Knowledge Organiser Year 1 Castles and Knights



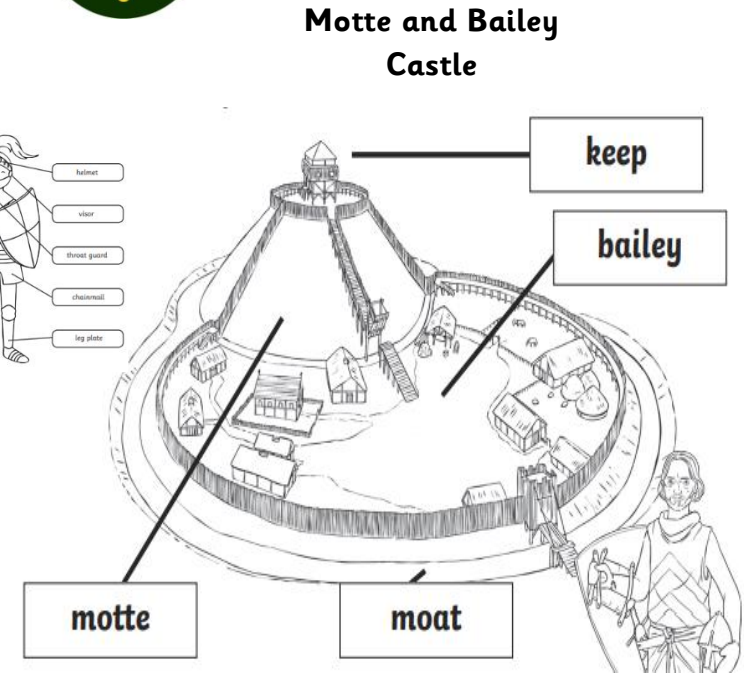
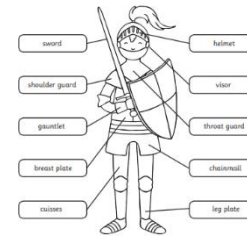
Key knowledge

By the end of this unit, children should know:

- The best place to build a castle is on high ground with good views to look out for attackers and near water for drinking, farming and washing.
- What the features of a Motte and Bailey and a Stone Keep castle are.
- What the role of knights was and what their armour consisted of.
- Some job roles and duties in a castle.

Children will also gain local knowledge of Clitheroe Castle, which we visit during this topic.

Key Vocabulary	
Spelling	Definition
Motte and Bailey Castle	A wooden castle. Motte means 'mound' and bailey means 'closed/fenced-in' land.
Stone Keep castle	A stone castle. The keep was a tower which was surrounded by a stone wall, often three metres thick
Knight	Protect and defend the king's land.
Conflict	Disagreement about something important that can lead to fighting.
Carpenter	To craft things out of wood for use throughout the castle.
Cook	To prepare meals for the family and to keep the kitchen clean.
Messenger	To carry information to others on behalf of a Lord.
Watchman	To be responsible for castle security, ensuring the castle is safe



Features of a Stone Keep Castle

