

Questioning the past through objects

(Past objects)

Teacher's notes

Length: 60 minutes.

Meeting Point:

Please meet your session presenter at the entrance to the **Learning Centre**, which is situated around the **back of the Waterloo Block**. Please arrive at least five minutes before your session is due to begin.

National Curriculum links:

- History: Britain and the wider world in Tudor times.
- Historical enquiry: to ask and answer questions, and to select and record information relevant to the focus of the enquiry.
- English speaking and listening

Session objectives:

Your pupils will become history detectives, investigating replica objects with a member of the Tudor court. Examine the contents of a missing Tudor chest, and try to identify its owner using the objects as clues.

Through participating in this session pupils will:

- Develop their skills of analysis and interpretation using a wide range of replica artefacts from the Tudor period;
- Consider the validity of different types of historical sources;
- Increase their knowledge of what life was like for individuals, both rich and poor, during the Tudor period;
- Increase their knowledge and understanding of the use of the Tower of London during the Tudor period.

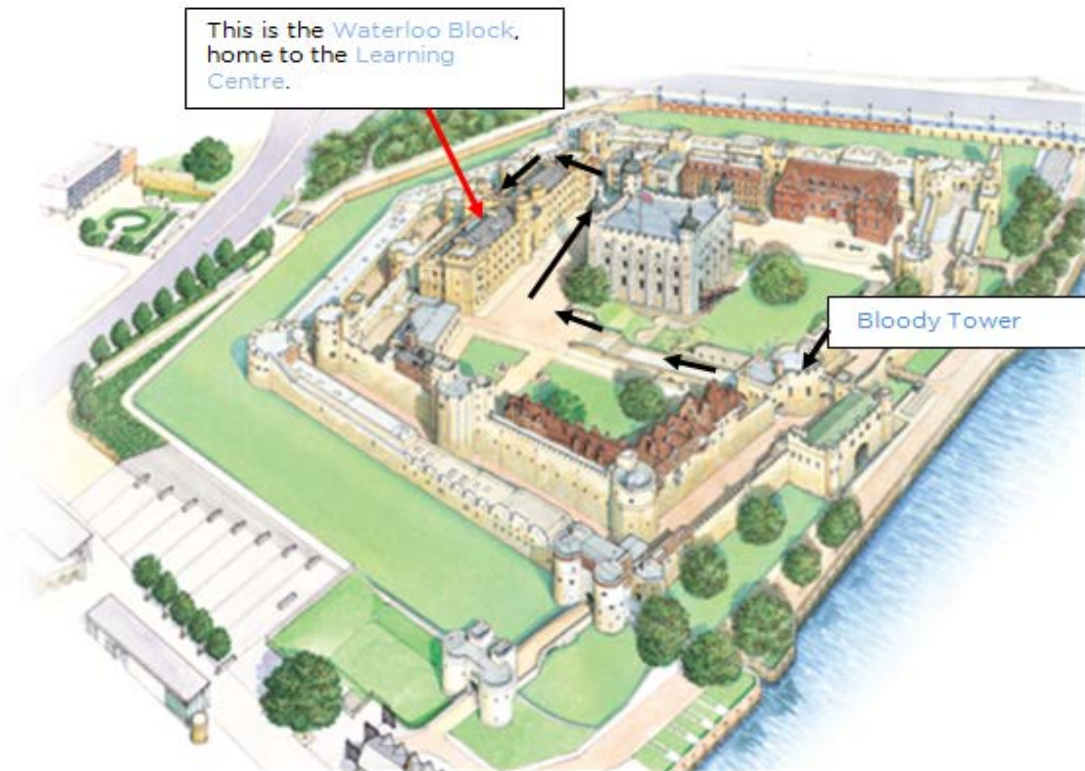
During your session:

Please note that the 1:10 staff to pupil ratio which we ask for throughout your visit to the Tower of London still applies during your teaching session. We ask that sufficient adults remain with the group as they will be encouraged to join in which the session activities. For health and safety reasons, our workshops are a maximum of 35 pupils.

For your information, this session will take place in one of our classroom spaces within our Learning Centre. There is lift access for those with disabled access requirements.



Directions to the Learning Centre in the Waterloo Block:



- From the [Bloody Tower](#) walk up the steps straight ahead of you.
- Keep walking straight ahead - [Waterloo Block](#) is in front of you.
- To access the [Learning Centre](#) you will need to go around the back of this building. Please do this using the path between the [Fusiliers Museum](#) and the [Waterloo Block](#).
- Once around the back of the building you will come across a sign saying “*No entry, except for booked school parties*”. Pass by this and the entrance to the [Learning Centre](#) will be on your left.
- Your session presenter should be waiting here for you, but if not please use the buzzer on the wall to contact the [Learning Centre](#).