

Knights, Castles and Kings (Knights and Castles)

Teacher notes

Duration: **45 minutes** Meeting Point: **Salt Tower Courtyard**

Find out how to become a knight: train at the Tower as a page, then a squire, and finally earn your knighthood!

Be transported back in time with true tales and marvellous myths from the Tower of London's colourful history.

In this session a costumed presenter will captivate children using stories and role play to explore the different uses of one of the oldest and most significant castles in Britain, and the lifestyles of the people who lived here.

Learning objectives

Children will:

- Learn about the Tower's use as a castle.
- Compare and contrast life today with life in the Medieval period.
- Discover what life was like for a Medieval knight.

National Curriculum links

This session supports:

- Development of speaking and listening skills through storytelling representations of a key historical figure.
- Using architecture and stories as historical sources, children will explore key concepts of significance, continuity and change to further their understanding of the past.
- Exploring significant historical events, people and places in their own locality.

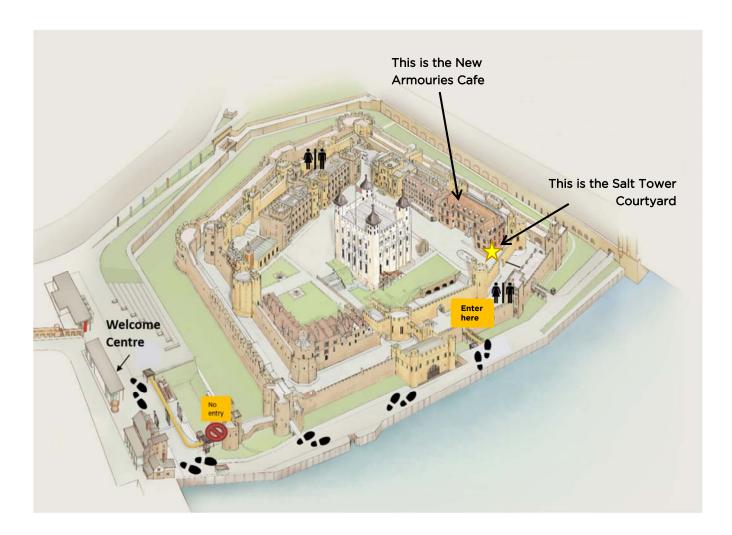
During your session:

Please note that the 1:5 staff to child ratio which we ask for throughout your visit still applies during your learning session. We ask that sufficient adults remain with the group as they will be encouraged to join in with the session activities. For Health & Safety reason, our sessions are for a maximum of 35 children.



The education session your group has booked with us takes place on the visitor route at the Tower of London.

Please meet your session presenter at the **Salt Tower Courtyard**. This is marked on the map below with a star. The courtyard is located next to the New Armouries Cafe.



This is where your costumed session presenter will meet you at your allocated start time. We recommend being there a few minutes early.

For your information, parts of this session may include time outside so please encourage your children to dress accordingly.



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