

Walter's War

Teacher notes

Duration: **60 minutes**

Meeting Point: **Entrance to Learning Centre**

It is 1916 and war has broken out. Walter Croft's friend and fellow member of the Royal Fusiliers explores the story of Walter's wartime experience, using storytelling, role play and object handling to bring the past to life.

A costumed presenter will use contemporary and modern-day objects, photographs and documents, looking at the differing ways the war was viewed at the time.

This session was jointly created by the Tower of London and the Fusilier Museum, and asks children to consider the importance of remembrance.

Learning objectives

Children will:

- Use objects as evidence to learn about the experience of soldiers during the First World War.
- Understand the impact of war on individuals and their local area.
- Develop their skills of historical enquiry by questioning a costumed character

National Curriculum links

This session supports:

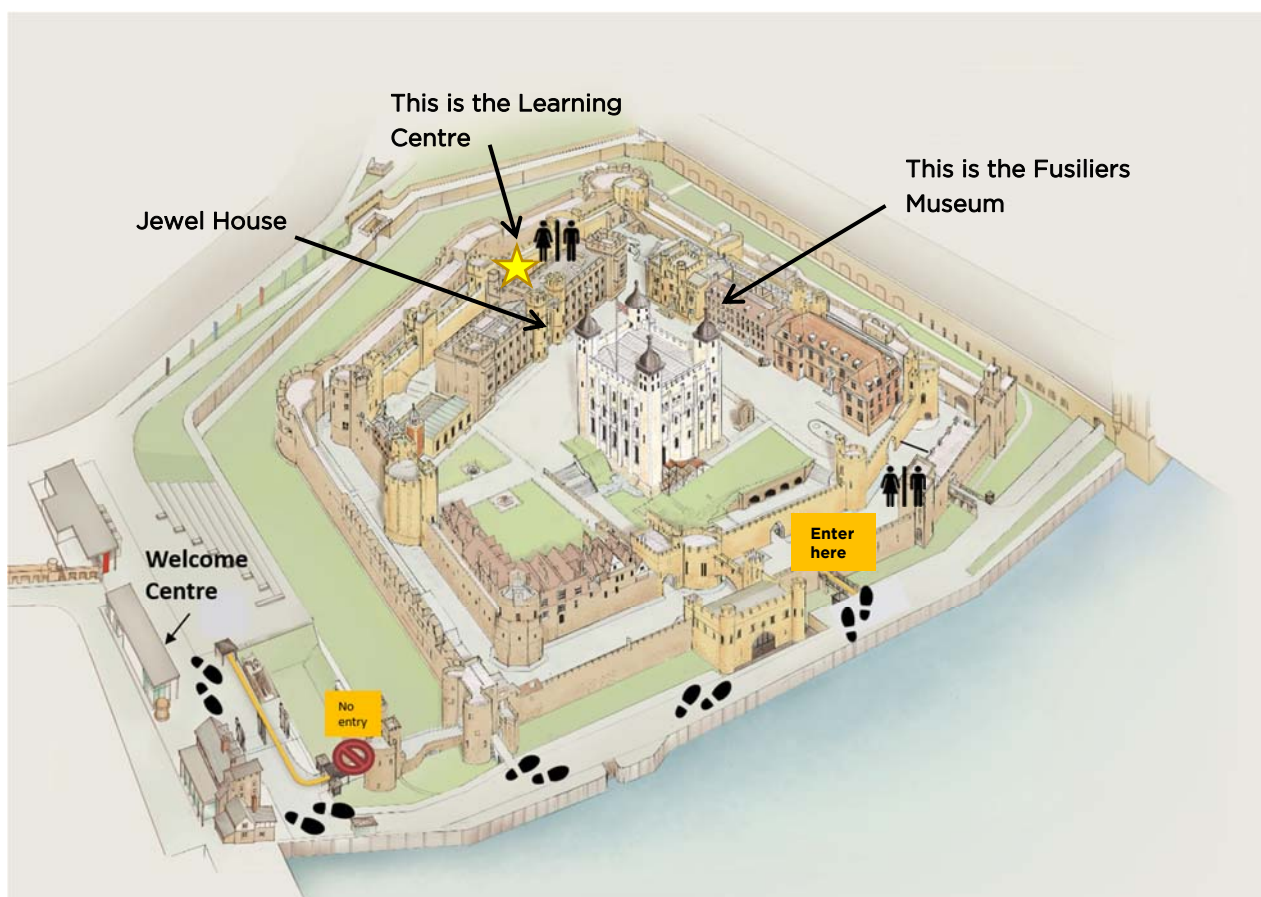
- Extending chronological knowledge of significant events in British history beyond 1066.
- Participating in discussions, presentations, performances, role play, improvisations
- Using spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas

During your session:

Please note that the 1:10 staff to children 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.



Please meet your session presenter at the **Entrance to the Learning Centre**. This is marked on the map below with a star.



- Head to the back of the Jewel House, walking past the Fusiliers Museum.
- Continue past the visitor toilets until you come across a chain with a sign saying “No entry except for booked school parties”.
- Pass over this; the entrance to the Learning Centre will be on your left.

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

