Secondary

World War I: Espionage
Teacher notes

Duration: **60 minutes**
Meeting Point: **Entrance to Learning Centre**

Would you execute a spy? This is the decision faced by the judge in the 1914 trial of the first spy shot at the Tower.

In the role of the jury, students will decide whether the defendant Carl Hans Lody deserves to be executed. This session explores the Tower's unique First World War history, helping students to analyse contemporary evidence and the difficult choices created by the new realities of war.

Learning objectives

Students will:

- Analyse the evidence to determine why spies were executed at the Tower of London during World War I.
- Study the choices faced by different people during the World War I and how they are viewed in modern society.

National Curriculum links

This session supports:

- Challenges for Britain, Europe and the wider world 1901 to the present day.
- Understanding how people's lives have shaped this nation and how Britain has influenced and been influenced by the wider world.
- Understanding historical concepts such as continuity and change, cause and consequence, similarity, difference and significance, and using them to make connections, draw contrasts, analyse trends and frame historically-valid questions.

During your session:

Please note that the 1:10 staff to student 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 students.

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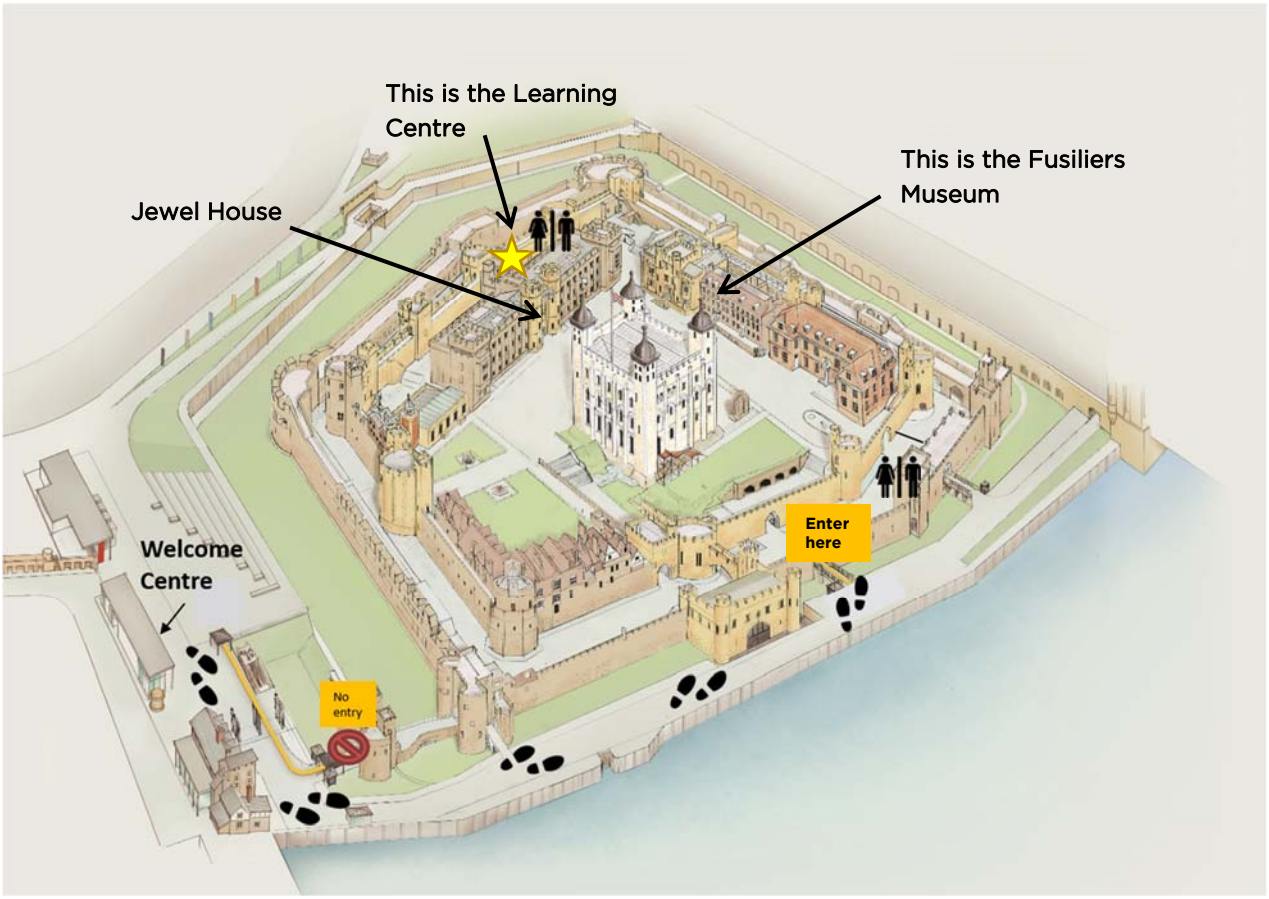
Please meet your session presenter at the **Entrance to the Learning Centre**. This is marked on the map below with a star.



- 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 Leaning 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.

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