

The King Beneath the Armour

KS2

Teacher notes

Duration: **60 minutes**

Meeting Point: **Tower of London: Entrance to the Learning Centre**

This classroom based session examines one of England's most famous kings, none other the King Henry VIII himself: king, sportsman and Tudor superstar!

Led by a costumed presenter, children will handle King Henry VIII's replica armour and use group discussion and enquiry skills to discover more about the man behind the metal.

Learning objectives

Children will:

- Discover how artefacts can tell us about the life of a person in the past
- Understand how Henry VIII's armour is linked to important periods in his reign
- Learn about key pieces of armour, how they were worn and how they were made

National Curriculum links

This session supports:

History:

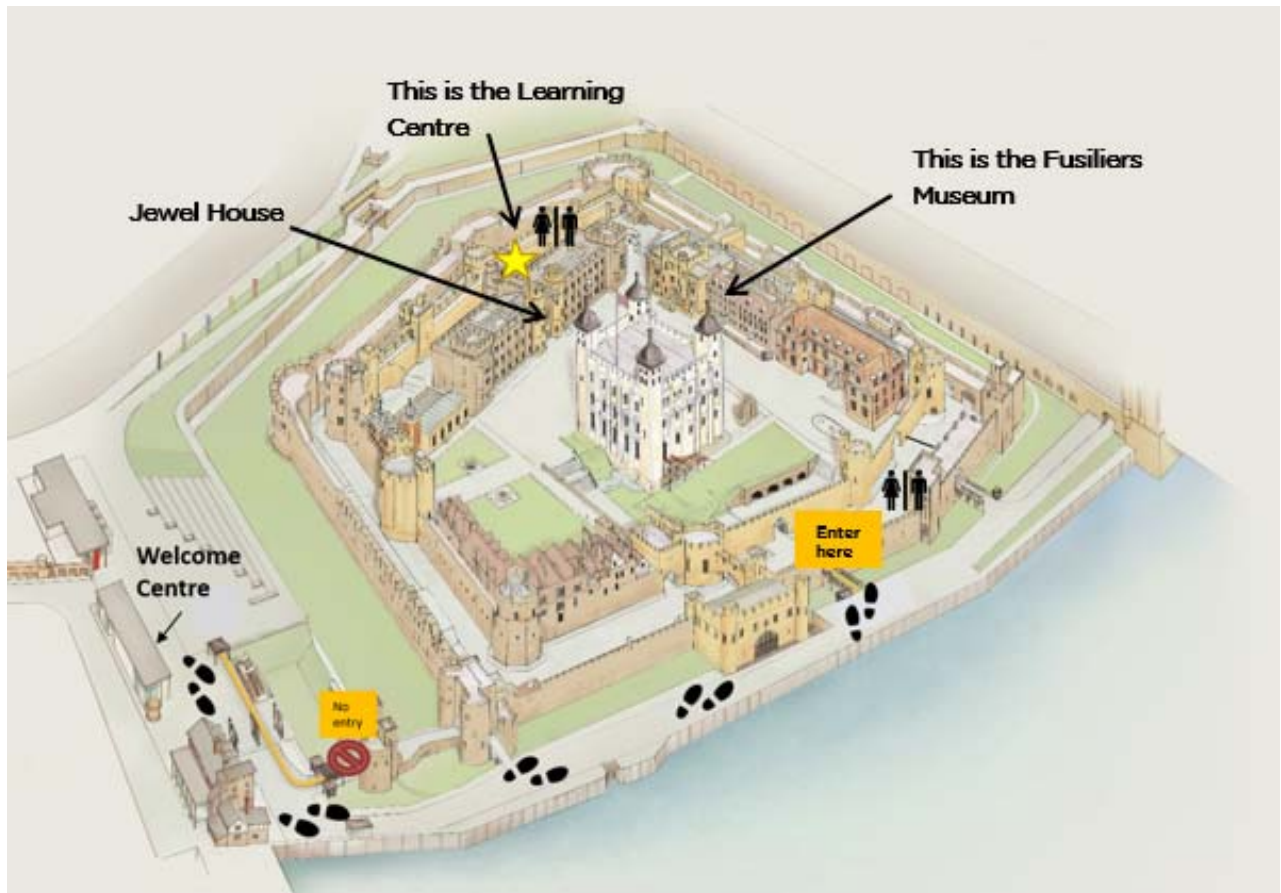
- The lives of significant individuals (King Henry VIII)
- Developing skills of historical interpretation and enquiry
- Understanding of how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources

During your session

Please note that the 1:10 staff-to-child ratio which we ask for throughout your visit still applies during your 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 reasons, our sessions are for a maximum of 35 pupils.



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



- 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 through this chain; the entrance to the Learning Centre will be on your left.

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

