



HISTORY



What should I already know?

- Castles are often featured in fairy tales/traditional story settings
- There are castle remains in our local area
- France is a country in Europe

Diagrams

Goodrich Castle



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| 1 PORTCULLIS CHAMBER | 6 KEEP |
| 2 WALL WALK | 7 NORTH RANGE |
| 3 SOUTH-EAST TOWER | 8 OUTER WARD |
| 4 GARDEROBE TOWER | 9 STABLES |
| 5 PRISON | |



Goodrich Castle built in 1101

Normans invaded England in 1066



History

Historians are like detectives; they are curious and ask important questions about the past.

Key facts

- Castles are a type of home that were built to protect the people inside.
- They are made up of many different parts, not just one building.
- The first castles in England were built by Normans after they invaded England in 1066.
- The Normans built castles to help them defend the land they'd just conquered
- Normans built 'motte and bailey' castles using soil and wood but later made them using stone for better protection.
- Castles were built on hills so enemies could be seen from far away.
- Many people lived in castles including lords, ladies, knights, squires, cooks, stewards, tasters and musicians.
- The lords and ladies held banquets in the Great Hall of the castle, and invited jesters and singers to perform for everyone.
- Castles in our local area include Goodrich, St Briavels and Chepstow.

Technical vocabulary

castle	a type of home that was built to protect the people inside.
invasion	To disturb or break into without being asked or wanted.
King	male ruler of a country. Can be husband to Queen
Queen	female ruler of a country. Can be wife to King

Historical Skills and Enquiry

- Use photographs and other historical sources to answer questions.
- Know that the remains of castles help us to learn about the past by showing us how the castle may have looked.
- Use words and phrases such as: a long time ago, recently, years, decades and centuries to describe the passing of time in relation to castles.

Timeline

