

Year 1 Summer 2

Once Upon a Time

Key Vocabulary

King - a male ruler of an area of land.

Queen - a female ruler of an area of land.

Moat - a deep ditch that surrounds a castle.

Castle - a fortified building normally protecting a king or queen.

Knights - a man who was a soldier to the king or queen that wore armour.

Church - religious building for Christians that was often found within a castle.

Turret - small tall towers built within the castle walls.

Portcullis - metal gate that offered the castle protection from intruders.

Shield - Defensive weapon used in combat.

Suit of armour - cover for the human body to protect from swords and arrows.

Archer - skilled soldiers who could use a bow and arrow.

Arrow slits - small holes in the castle wall where an archer could fire arrows from.

How does a portcullis work?

To protect the castle, a portcullis was often used as a large door that moved up and down to allow horses and carts into the castle grounds. Using their DT skills, the children will think about how they can make their own portcullis work.

Key Questions

- Who has the best job in a castle?
- What does a castle look like?
- How does armour protect a knight?
- Does the Queen today have the same role as a Queen from the past?

What do you know about Queen Elizabeth I?

Where did she live?

When was she alive?

Where did she rule?

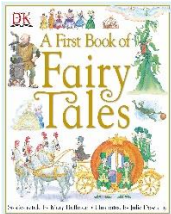
What did she do when she was Queen?

Was she the same as other queens?



Core Text

Our core texts for this half term are.



Did you know...

The first castles were built by the Normans and were called motte and bailey castles!

Castles weren't very warm inside, they could be really damp and draughty!

Where were castles built?

The land around castles had physical features that made them great locations. This could be hills or water. We will find out why.

What roles did people have in a castle?

For some people, castle life was tough, especially if your job was the gong farmer. Being the castle steward had potential to be more rewarding!

What did a knight's armour look like?

The armour was made up of several heavy pieces of metal from the helmet to the Sabatons. The more money a knight had, the more protection he could buy!