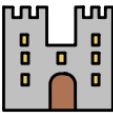











Aldryngton Primary School Knowledge Organiser: How have castles and the people who have lived in them changed over time? How and why were castles built?

Key Vocabulary	Definition	Key Vocabulary	Definition
Castle 	A large, strong building, built in the past by a ruler or important person to protect the people inside from attack.	Coronation 	A special ceremony at which a person is made king or queen.
Monarch 	A king or queen.	Medieval 	A time in history, the 'Middle Ages'.
Portrait 	A painting, drawing, photograph, or engraving of a person.	Normans 	People from Northern France who invaded England in 1066 and became its rulers.
Reign 	The time a person is king or queen.	Ruler 	The leader of a country.
Royal 	Being a king or queen or a member of their family.	Invade 	Use force to enter.

Key figures	Fiction linked to topic	Map
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<p style="text-align: center;">William The Conqueror</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> William The Conqueror won the Battle of Hastings in 1066 beating King Harold and became King of England. William built castles throughout England in order to maintain control. Perhaps the most famous castle William built is the White Tower of the Tower of London. <p style="text-align: center;">King Charles III is the current king.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Queen Elizabeth II</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Queen Elizabeth II was the longest reigning monarch ever in Britain.</p> 	<p>The Queen's Hat by Steve Antony</p> <p>The Queen's Handbag by Steve Antony</p> <p>Castles by Colin Thompson</p> <p>Dragon Poems by John Foster and Korky Paul</p> <p>The Pea and the Princess by Mini Grey</p> <p>The Paper Bag Princess by Robert Munsch</p>
		

Key dates

1066 - The Battle of Hastings
1953 - Queen Elizabeth II Coronation
2022 - Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee - 70 years of service
- Queen Elizabeth II died
2023 - King Charles III Coronation
- Today

Useful websites

<https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/members-area/kids/kids-castles/> - All about castles

<https://www.rct.uk/visit/windsor-castle> - All about Windsor Castle

Windsor Castle



Windsor Castle is the oldest and largest occupied castle in the world. It is open to visitors throughout the year.

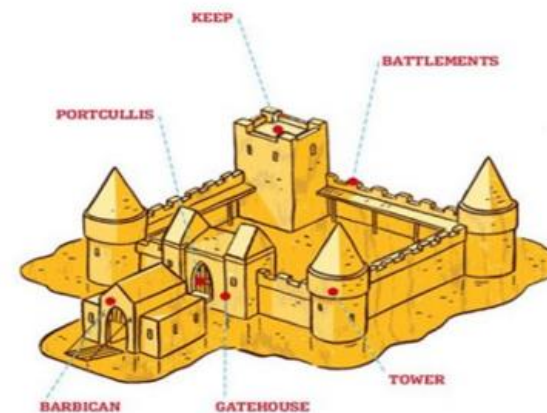
William the Conqueror began building at Windsor around 1070. It took 16 years to build. It has since been the home of 40 monarchs.

Types of castles



Motte and Bailey

These castles were built first because they were quick and cheap to build. King William needed castles as soon as possible to defend his new crown. They were made out of wood. It has been said that nearly 1000 motte and bailey castles were built by the Normans.



Keep and Bailey

When the rebellion against King William calmed down they were able to build Keep and Bailey castles, that took longer to build and were made out of stone.

Some of them are still around today, including Windsor Castle and the Tower of London.