

LESSON PLAN

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GREAT CASTLES OF GREAT BRITAIN



TRAVEL

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Stages	Procedure	Time
Objectives	 To practice a. skimming and scanning for details b. matching phrases to connect ideas c. making inference from the text 	
Warmer	 Teacher shows the class pictures of palaces and castles. Teacher asks students if they have visited, seen or heard about the royal places. Teacher gets students to read the title of the article and leads into the topic of the day. 	5 mins
Pre-reading	 Teacher distributes Task 1 to the class. In pairs, students look at the details provided and match them to the pictures in Task 1. Teacher checks answer. 	8 mins
While-Reading	 Teacher distributes Task 2. In pairs, students match each phrase with the phrases in the box to form correct sentences. Teacher checks the answers. Teacher continues with Task 3. In small groups, students discuss to complete the analytical questions. Teacher elicits and discusses answers. 	15 mins
Post-reading	 Teacher puts students into small groups. In small groups, students share with their friends which royal palaces or castles (in the warmer activity) they would like to visit and why. 	8 mins
Wrap	1. Teacher wraps up and ends lesson.	4 mins

TASK 1

Look at the pictures below. Label each picture with the words provided.

White Tower Castle Rock	Royal Mile River Thames	Tower Bridge light gun	St. Margaret's Chapel moat	Tower of London Edinburgh Castle	two concentric rings of defensive walls
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4	Picture A:	5	Picture	B:	9

TASK 2

Match each phrase with the phrases in the box to form correct sentences.

- 1. To be built as defence against intruders, castles
- 2. These ancient residences of the Royals
- 3. The Tower of London and Edinburgh Castle
- 4. Surrounding the Tower of London
- 5. The Tower of London had been used as a zoo, the Royal Mint and prison, and today it
- 6. Edinburgh Castle which was most attacked in the past,
- 7. Royal Mile, the road that leads up to the castle,
- a. were also opened to the commoners for social gatherings of festivals and celebrations.
- b. is used as the facility to keep expensive and timeless collections of Crown Jewels.
- c. are two high concentric walls and a moat, which used to protect the castle from hostile enemies.
- d. were usually constructed on high ground with high and steep stone walls.
- e. is a very busy street where there are numerous hotels, souvenir shops and restaurants.
- f. is also the most visited tourist spot today, with only a few original buildings remain.
- g. are both heritage of Great Britain that attract tourists to the country today.

TASK 3

Answer the questions below with reference to the article.

1	Why were there wars in the Great Britain?
2	According to the author, the British are proud of their castles as a symbol of historical strength and grandeur. How is historical strength and grandeur being reflected in the ancient castles?
3	'The lines to view these jewels can be very long, so it may be better to see them being worn by Queen Elizabeth on television instead!' Based on the statement above, what does that tell you about the author?
4	Edinburgh Castle is Scotland's most visited paid tourist attraction. Why do tourists like visiting this castle?
5	In your opinion, how does it feel to walk along the Royal Mile?

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ANSWERS

Task 1

Picture A: Tower of London

- 1. White Tower
- 2. Tower Bridge
- 3. River Thames
- 4. two concentric rings of defensive walls
- 5. moat

Picture B: Edinburgh Castle

- 6. Castle Rock
- 7. St. Margaret's Chapel
- 8. light gun
- 9. Royal Mile

Task 2

- 1. d
- 2. a
- 3. g
- 4. c
- 5. b
- 6. f
- 7. e

Task 3

Students' answers may vary. Below are the sample answers.

- 1. Different parts of continental Europe had wars in the Great Britain in attempts to conquer various parts of its land. / enlarge their territories in Europe.
- 2. Historical strength and grandeur is being reflected through the massive fortified constructions of the ancient castles.
- 3. The author probably dislikes crowded places.
- 4. Tourists like visiting the Edinburgh Castle because of its war history and spectacular location.
- 5. Walking along the Royal Mile may give us a medieval and mythical feeling.