

**Parts of a Castle**

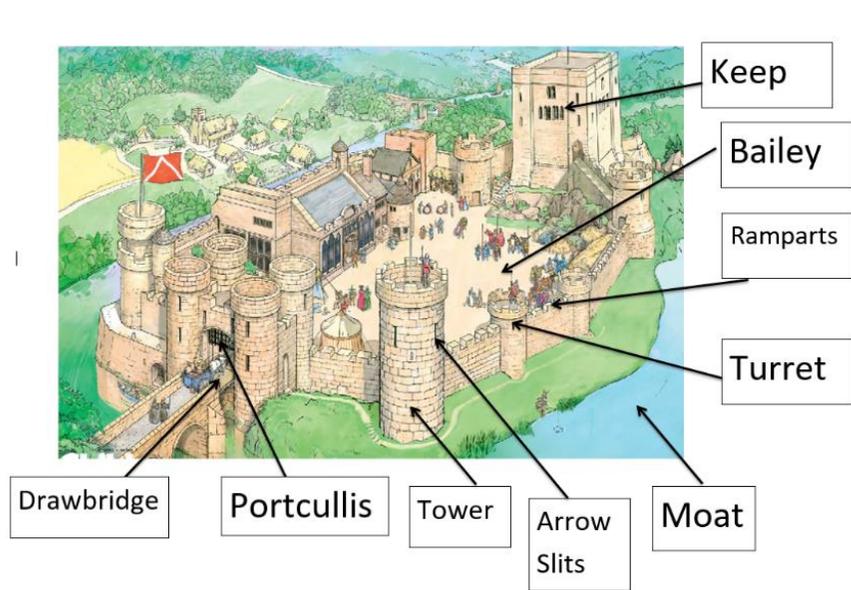
<b>Moat</b>	A water-filled ditch surrounding the castle.
<b>Drawbridge</b>	A movable bridge linking the castle to the surrounding area over the moat.
<b>Bailey</b>	A large piece of open ground in the middle of the castle.
<b>Arrow Slits</b>	Small gaps in the castle walls to fire arrows through.
<b>Ramparts</b>	A group of high sections of wall with gaps between them.
<b>The Keep</b>	The main tower of a castle.
<b>Portcullis</b>	A heavy, spiked barrier.
<b>Tower</b>	A circular or square building used for lookout and defence.
<b>Turret</b>	A small tower

**Bridges**

<b>Transporter Bridge</b>	A movable bridge built in Middlesbrough.
<b>Newport Bridge</b>	A bridge that used to move vertically built in Middlesbrough.
<b>Millennium Bridge</b>	A steel foot bridge built in Newcastle.
<b>Tyne Bridge</b>	An arched bridge joining Newcastle to Gateshead.
<b>High Level Bridge</b>	A road and railway bridge built in Newcastle.
<b>Swing Bridge</b>	A movable bridge built in Newcastle.

**Vocabulary**

<b>Medieval</b>	A time in the middle ages.
<b>Invade</b>	To attack.
<b>Knight</b>	Someone who fights for their lord or king and wears a suit of armour.
<b>Lord</b>	A person who has control over others.
<b>Tunnel</b>	A manmade underground passage often under a hill or building.
<b>Bridge</b>	A structure which allows people or vehicles to cross over something.
<b>Vertical</b>	Something that is standing or pointing straight up.
<b>Arched</b>	A curved part of a bridge or building.
<b>Servant</b>	Someone who works at another person's home doing jobs.
<b>Jester</b>	A person who tells jokes and makes people laugh.
<b>Archers</b>	People who fired arrows.



**Key facts**

- Castles could be very crowded places. They were built to protect the people inside.
- Castles were often damp and cold places to live in.
- Archers protected the castle by using windows or arrow slits to fire from.
- The biggest castle in England is Windsor castle where the queen lives.
- Castles were built on hills to make them harder to attack.
- There are about 1500 castle sites in England.