

A MEDIEVAL MISSION

AN ATTACK ON LEEDS CASTLE



Your mission today, should you choose to accept it, is to launch an attack on Leeds Castle. You will be supplied with equipment and a budget, you just plan how to use it.

Good Luck!





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Leeds Castle is a fine example of an English castle. Your mission today is to plan an attack on Leeds Castle.

You will be given a shopping list and £5000 to spend on equipment.

You will find a price list in your booklet, plus pictures of the bigger equipment available.



You must decide what you want to buy, how and where you will use the equipment and in which order you will use it.

You must make a list of what you have bought and the total that you have spent. You must draw your plan onto the map provided and write a brief explanation of your plan.

Think carefully about the castle's defences, where it is weakest and think about which weapons will be the most effective.





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Equipment available...



A Trebuchet – throws rocks fast and high



A Siege tower



A Mangonel – type of catapult



A Ballista – type of Crossbow



Small Battering Rams



Large Battering Rams





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You have been given the following equipment for free:

- 1 Siege Tower
- 2 Trebuchets
- 2 Mangonels
- 1 Large Battering Ram
- 1 Ballista
- 2 Ladders
- 1000 Knights with swords
- 1000 Archers with bows and arrows

On the next page you will find a price list of all available weaponry you can purchase. You have a budget of £5000.

Study the castle well, from various angles before making your decisions.

Make a note of where the defences such as crenellations, machicolations, arrow slits, Gatehouse all are.





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Price List

For the best prices on all Castle and Knight bashing equipment come to Medieval Weaponry Supplies.



WEAPON	PRICE
1 Siege Tower	£1000
1 Large Battering Ram	£150
1 Small Battering Ram	£100
1 Trebuchet	£500
1 Mangonel	£400
1 Ballista	£300
Digging Equipment	£100
100 Trained Archers (with bows & arrows)	£300
100 Men	£100
1 Ladder	£100
5 Grappling Irons	£50
1 Piece of Rope	£25
10 Heavy rocks	£25
10 Man Boat	£100
Extra food for a 2 week siege	£500





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The year is 1278, use these pictures of how we think the castle looked at that time to help plan your attack.

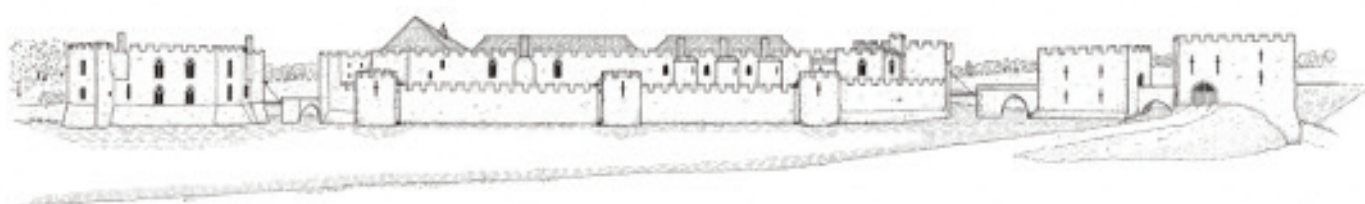
Tips...the castle is completely surrounded by a moat, there are 2 drawbridges at the gatehouse and one dividing the bailey island from the Gloriette. There are outer and inner walls.





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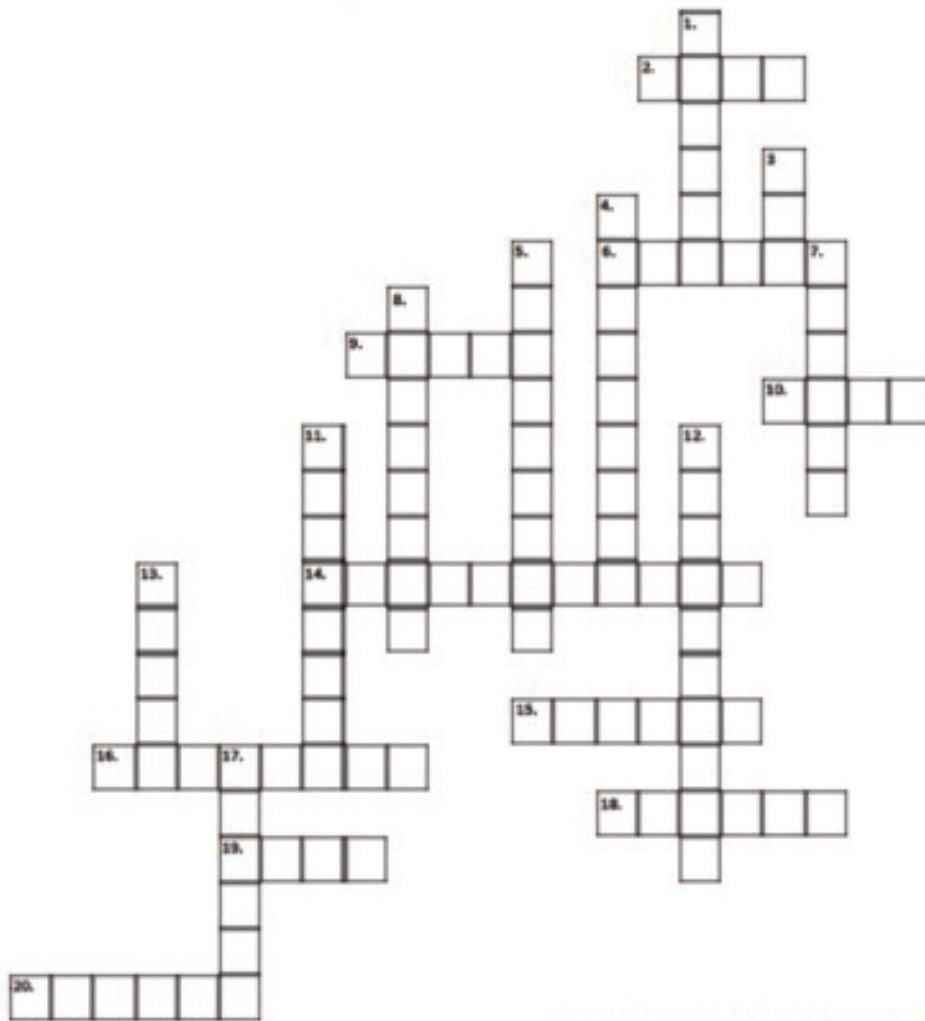


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Now that the warmongering is over, enjoy some medieval fun and puzzles.

Medieval Crossword



Across

- 2. Young boy working for Knight
- 6. An archer's weapons
- 9. Weapon used in jousting
- 10. Monarch
- 14. Top of the castle where the archers stood
- 15. Plate used to protect the body
- 16. The study of coats of arms
- 18. Medieval soldier
- 19. surrounds the castle
- 20. pouch for holding arrows

Down

- 1. Used for scaling walls
- 3. Used to fire arrows
- 4. Where the guards lived
- 5. For throwing rocks
- 7. A young nobleman
- 8. Type of Crossbow
- 11. Protective sheath for sword
- 12. Gate at entrance to castle
- 13. A Knight's transport
- 17. Protective clothing





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Medieval Word search

Q H U L A L N M U Y M I R S H G U Z G H
 D Q T E B Q O R M C O Y S E A R M O U R
 G E B N A T S E R C A X R D B O A P C R
 D O L O L B S P Z E T A O A V N A A F C
 X Y K G L V E N G Q L A I S M N W D D T
 J J M N I Z N Z O D W B Y U X Y H C N E
 O E E A S D S L R I A A W R I B V F F H
 U O S M T D W Y I C T B R C A A D B P C
 S S R U A B O Z G O H A J C S T Q Q P J
 T Y O F J D R H C V B P L G H T D C N B
 I O H M U H D M T K L H R O N E E U Q E
 N X N D Z E S S E C N I R P C R R C I R
 G P K U V L L Z L O K Y D Z U I A Q Y T
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 M A Y Y Y E D E I G B H R H E G S C S Y
 C R F T R T L G U G P J G A T R K N A M
 W R E C H T H E C N A L W X Z A S I L M
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MANGONEL

BALLISTA

PRINCESS

MACHICOLATIONS

TREBUCHET

ARMOUR

CREST

LANCE

KNIGHT

CASTLE

QUEEN

BATTERINGRAM

JOUSTING

HELMET

CRUSADES

BOW

KING

ARCHER

PRINCE

ARROWS

HORSE

HERALDRY

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