

Lesson Number	Learning Intention	Activity Overview
1.	L.I - To be able to create a timeline.	<p>Create timeline of events that involve places in Edinburgh or people from Edinburgh.</p> <p><a href="http://www.localhistories.org/edinburghtime.html">http://www.localhistories.org/edinburghtime.html</a></p> <p>The above timeline is a detailed one. Create your own and include drawings, descriptions and as much detail as you can, The more inventive, the better.</p>
2.	L.I - To research the history of Edinburgh Castle.	<p>Research and create a timeline of Edinburgh Castle's history. Read the following and use the information contained to create a timeline.</p>

# Edinburgh Castle

## Origins

Edinburgh Castle was built in 1130, on top of Castle Rock, which was formed after a volcano erupted over 340 million years ago. It is in the middle of what is now the city of Edinburgh. It was built for David I, son of the famous Saint Margaret of Scotland.

The buildings of the castle as it is now date from the 12th to the 18th century with St. Margaret's Chapel, being not only the oldest building on site but the oldest building in all of Scotland. It was constructed in the early 12th century in memory of Queen Margaret, who died in 1093.

## History

The castle has been occupied since prehistoric times and later, in medieval times, it was home to the kings and queens of Scotland. Its position, high above the rest of the land, offered great protection from enemies.

Edinburgh Castle is the most besieged castle in the UK. It has come under attack more than any other, probably because whoever had the castle had the power and there was always someone else who wanted to take it!

The castle has been the site of many famous battles. The first major battle was when Edward I of England tried to take the Scottish throne in the late 13th century. There were to be many more, especially during the Scottish Wars of Independence.

Edinburgh Castle was also used as a prison and there are many dark dungeons in the castle where prisoners may have been locked up and forgotten.

## Today

Now, the castle is a national monument, an extremely popular tourist attraction and museum. It is home to important Scottish symbols such as the crown jewels (Honours of Scotland), the Stone of Destiny and the cannon called Mons Meg.

- The Stone of Destiny is the traditional coronation stone of all Scottish and English kings and queens and has been constantly fought over by Scotland and England.
- Mons Meg is an enormous cannon, made around 1449, which fired solid stone cannon balls the size of your head, weighing around 400 pounds each. The cannon was able to fire these cannonballs about 2 miles! The ritual of firing the gun, which began as a time signal for ships, still takes place at 1 o'clock every day except Sunday.

As well as attracting over a million visitors each year, the castle is also the location for the annual Edinburgh Military Tattoo, a world-famous event, which takes place every August on the castle esplanade.

## Location

Castle Rock

## Built

1130

## Events

Edinburgh Military Tattoo



3.

L.I - To be able to create a fact file all about Edinburgh Castle.

Research and create a fact file or poster about Edinburgh Castle. Read the following and use the information contained to create a fact file about Edinburgh castle.

## Edinburgh – Fact File

**CfE:** I can use digital technologies to search, access and retrieve information and are aware that not all of this information will be credible. **TCH 2-02a**

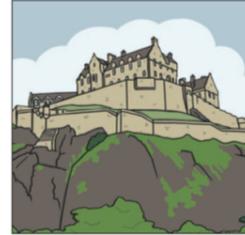
What tourist landmarks are there in Edinburgh?

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Where would you be most likely to hear Edinburgh's 'Lone Piper'?

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Are there any famous people who were born in Edinburgh?

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What are the names of some of the towns and villages in Edinburgh?

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Where is the National Monument of Scotland and why is it only half built?

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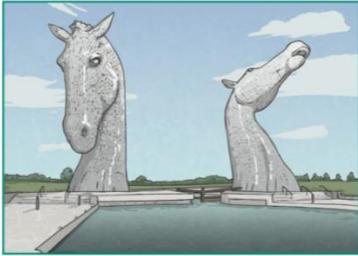
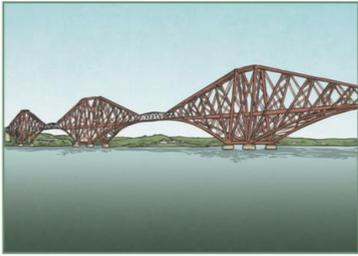
Add any other facts that you have learned here:

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<p>4.</p>	<p>L.I - To be able to create Top Trump cards about Scottish landmarks.</p>	<p>Research and create fact file style Top Trump cards about important Scottish landmarks. For example: The Kelpies, Forth Road Bridge, Falkirk Wheel RSS Discovery and Finnieston Crane.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="border: 1px solid green; padding: 5px; width: 30%;"> <p style="text-align: center; color: green; font-weight: bold;">The Kelpies</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Location:</b> Helix Park, Falkirk.</li> <li><b>Completed:</b> 27th November 2013</li> <li><b>Height:</b> 30m</li> <li><b>Weight:</b> 300 tonnes each</li> <li><b>Materials:</b> stainless steel</li> </ul> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 5px; width: 30%;"> <p style="text-align: center; color: blue; font-weight: bold;">Falkirk Wheel</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Location:</b> Falkirk</li> <li><b>Opened:</b> 24th May 2002</li> <li><b>Height:</b> 35m</li> <li><b>Weight:</b> 1800 tonnes</li> <li><b>Materials:</b> steel</li> </ul> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid green; padding: 5px; width: 30%;"> <p style="text-align: center; color: green; font-weight: bold;">Forth Rail Bridge</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Location:</b> Fife</li> <li><b>Opened:</b> 4th September 1964</li> <li><b>Height:</b> 150m</li> <li><b>Materials:</b> steel</li> </ul> </div> </div>
<p>5</p>	<p>L.I - To be able to locate, find and navigate around a city using a map.</p>	<p>On a safe day and when you have the permission and company of a responsible adult. See if you can visit and tick off some of these Scottish landmarks.</p>

## Scottish City Sightseeing Checklist

# Edinburgh

How many of these famous landmarks can you spot when you visit Edinburgh?



Arthur's Seat



Edinburgh Castle



Palace of Holyroodhouse



Royal Mile



Forth Bridges



Greyfriars Bobby Memorial



Princes Street



The Scottish Parliament



Scott Monument



Camera Obscura

Alternatively, have a look at them on *Google earth*! See if you can find out any interesting information about the history of these incredible landmarks.

6.

L.I - To be able to complete a word search.

Complete this word search about the world famous Edinburgh Military Tattoo.

**The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo**

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e o f b a n d t u v p c  
d l m i c a s t l e e n  
i o m m r p q r s t c o  
n n i s o e c d e f t m  
b e l r w n w p q r a a  
u p i e y e w o c d t g  
r i t p k l u e r p o f  
g p a i w x y n a k r d  
h e r p i j k l a l s n  
q r y a u g u s t d t p  
g r a n d s t a n d m h

castle	band	lone piper
Edinburgh	grandstand	August
esplanade	spectators	Commonwealth
military	fireworks	pipers

Extension Task:

Find out what the Edinburgh Military Tattoo is. Have you ever been? Have any of your family ever been?

7.	L.I - To be able to create a piece of art about Edinburgh Castle.	<p>Look up a photo of Edinburgh Castle. Do your best to draw it. You can shade in mono-tone (Black, white and grey) with pencil or use colours of your choice. Use what you have, do not spend any money on buying new resources.</p> 
8.	L.I - To be able to research and learn about Mons Meg.	<p>Research to find out about Mons Meg and the history of the bombard as a weapon.</p> <p>Below is a useful link to some information. <a href="http://www.royal-mile.com/castle/castle-monsmeg.html">http://www.royal-mile.com/castle/castle-monsmeg.html</a></p>



10.	L.I - To be able to research an important person from Scotland's history.	<p>Research an important person in Scotlands History. Create a fact file for them and draw a picture of how you think they would have looked. Some examples and helpful links are below:</p> <p>Alexander Graham Bell Discuss the impact that Edinburgh-born Alexander Graham Bell has had on society. If you can access these, they are very useful pieces of information. If not, research what you can and present your finding in any way you like. Poster, leaflet, bullet points, video, dance, the more inventive, the better!</p> <p><a href="http://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t2-h-5289-alexander-graham-bell-information-powerpoint">http://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t2-h-5289-alexander-graham-bell-information-powerpoint</a> <a href="http://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-t-19553-alexander-bell-significant-individual-teaching-lesson-pack">http://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-t-19553-alexander-bell-significant-individual-teaching-lesson-pack</a></p> <p>Sir Arthur Conan Doyle Research the life, works and achievements made by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, from his days studying medicine to his literacy career <a href="http://www.arthurconandoyle.com/">http://www.arthurconandoyle.com/</a></p> <p>Duke of Edinburgh Discuss the life and career of the Duke of Edinburgh Use the PowerPoint from Twinkl: <a href="http://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t2-t-052-prince-philip-the-duke-of-edinburgh-powerpoint">http://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t2-t-052-prince-philip-the-duke-of-edinburgh-powerpoint</a></p>
11.	L.I - To be able to compare and contrast a Scottish society and civilisation.	<p>Compare and contrast modern Scottish society with an ancient Scottish civilisation. Create a comparison table (Like our WW1 soldier comparison)</p> <p>Identify specific features including important people, landmarks and events during particular periods in Scotland's history.</p>

		<b>Old Scotland</b>	<b>Scotland 2020</b>	
		Transport - Horse and carriage,	Transport - Cars, trains, trams, planes	
		Shelter -	Shelter -	
		Clothing -	Clothing -	
12.	L.I - To learn about differences in society in the past.	Interview an older member of your family to learn about differences in school, hobbies, food and any other topics that interests you.		