

Do you know who lives in Windsor Castle? Watch the video to find out and learn more about this fascinating and historic building!

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises to check your understanding. If you need help, you can read the transcript at any time.

Preparation

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the number 1–8.

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| 1..... a monument | a. to live in a place |
| 2..... a monarch | b. a building where someone lives |
| 3..... an occasion | c. the place where someone is going |
| 4..... a residence | d. a king or queen |
| 5..... a restoration | e. metal clothing that soldiers wore in the past to protect their bodies |
| 6..... a destination | f. the process of returning something to its original condition by repairing and cleaning it |
| 7..... to inhabit | g. an important event or ceremony |
| 8..... armour | h. an old building or place that is important in history |

1. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the best answer to these questions.

- Which of the following is NOT a function of Windsor Castle?
a. The Queen's home b. A restoration project c. A national monument
- Who built Windsor Castle?
a. William the Conqueror b. Henry VIII c. Queen Victoria
- What did George IV do at Windsor Castle?
a. He opened the state apartments to the public. b. He doubled the height of the castle's round tower. c. He paid for the restoration of the castle after the fire.
- What can you find at St. George's Chapel?
a. Treasures collected by monarchs b. The shields and armour of over a thousand Garter Knights c. The armour of Henry VIII

5. What was the result of the restoration project?
- a. It put out the fire. b. It returned the castle to exactly how it looked before the fire. c. It repaired the damage and added new interiors.
6. Is Windsor a working castle?
- a. Yes, it is the official residence of the Queen. b. Yes, but only for state ceremonies. c. No, it is only a museum.

2. Check your understanding: yes or no

Circle the things that can be found in Windsor Castle.

paintings

shells

armour

a doll's house

a monument

tapestries

porcelain

firefighters

3. Check your understanding: matching – numbers

Match the numbers with the things they describe and write a–h next to the number 1–8.

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| 1..... | The approximate number of visitors to Windsor Castle each year. | a. 39 |
| 2..... | The distance the castle is from London in miles. | b. 11th |
| 3..... | The century the castle was built. | c. IV |
| 4..... | The number of monarchs who have lived in Windsor Castle. | d. 1848 |
| 5..... | The monarch George who gave Windsor its famous skyline. | e. 200 |
| 6..... | The year that Queen Victoria opened the state apartments to the public. | f. 1992 |
| 7..... | The year a fire swept through the castle. | g. a million |
| 8..... | The number of firefighters it took to put out the fire at the castle. | h. 23 |

4. Check your grammar: gap fill – active and passive verbs

Write the word or words to fill the gaps. Use the passive or active verb forms.

1. The legacy of each monarch can _____ (see) in the castle.
2. George IV _____ (double) the height of the castle's round tower.
3. Queen Victoria _____ (open) the state apartments to the public.
4. The castle _____ (restore) after a huge fire in 1992.
5. The Order of the Garter's annual ceremony _____ (hold) at St. George's Chapel.
6. Windsor Castle _____ (enjoy) by people from all over the world.

Discussion

Would you like to visit Windsor Castle?

Describe any other castles that you have visited.

Are there any old and important buildings in your city?

Can you imagine what it would be like to live in a castle?

Vocabulary Box

Write any new words you have learnt in this lesson.