



Château
Guillaume-Le-Conquérant
Falaise

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT HISTORICAL RESSOURCES AND ACTIVITIES

Our educational department is glad to provide you with a wide range of documentation about the castle, its history and its characters. It is complete with quizzes, questionnaires, and outdoor courses.

These documents are sent to you on a CD in the PDF format (read by Acrobat Reader, provided inside the CD). They are free with every reservation and are sent on request. Teachers will then freely be able to print and copy the documents for their students.

The contents of the CD is as follows:

Castles in the Middle Ages

- ▶ Attacking a castle : the model of the siege of Château Gaillard
- ▶ Defending a castle : the defences of the castle of Falaise

William The Conqueror

- ▶ Bilingual timeline of William's life : from 1027 to 1087
- ▶ William in his time : the historical context of the 11th century

The castle of Falaise

- ▶ A castle in the city : the important stages of the castle's site, from the Neolithic period to this day.

Outdoor courses

- ▶ Two-level courses to be completed by the student inside the enclosure, before or after the tour (no guide required ; please make sure the levels match those of your pupils)

Questionnaires

- ▶ A quiz on the vocabulary of a medieval castle
- ▶ A questionnaire about the contents of the guided tour

(it is advisable to work on the questionnaires only once the tour is completed)



These documents are optional and will help you and your students by providing some background to the guided tour.

There are two types of visits to choose from :

- A) Audio-guided tour, with an introduction by our guide. Headsets are provided with no additional fee (1h15)
- B) Guided tour, with two or more scenes from the audio-guided tour, depending on how much time you have (1h30)

For this option, here are the scenes you can choose:

- 1 - Duties and customs of noblemen in the 12th century, through the metaphor of the chess game 10mn
- 2 - Henry II Plantagenet and Eleanor of Aquitaine (12th century) 10mn
- 3 - The siege of Chateau-Gaillard and the end of the Anglo-Norman Saga (beginning of the 13th century) 5mn
- 4 - The role of the Archbishop Lanfranc as William the Conqueror's counsellor. 7mn
- 5 - William The Conqueror's epic, from his birth in Falaise to the battle of Hastings 20mn

Do not hesitate to contact us for further details.