## Year 3 History Topic - Castles (The Normans)

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#### William the Conqueror

The first Norman King of England. He led the Norman Conquest of England in 1066.

Key Vocabulary	
invasion	an act or instance of invading by an enemy or
	hostile army.
throne	the seat used by a ruler or other important person
	for ceremonies or other special events.
banquet	a fancy, formal dinner.
Bayeux	The Bayeux Tapestry is an embroidered cloth
Tapestry	nearly 70 metres long and 50 centimetres tall,
	which depicts the events leading up to the
	Norman conquest of England
medieval	of, or having to do with the Middle Ages.
battle	a fight between two armed persons or forces
	during a war.
nobility	a class of people of a high rank or title.



#### Main Castle Features

#### moat

The moat of a castle is a large ditch filled with water to keep the enemy away from the castle.



#### gatehouse

The gatehouse guarded the entrance to the castle. The portcullis inside the gatehouse was used to close the entrance.



#### drawbridge

The drawbridge was made out of wood and would more up and down to let people in or out of the entrance.



#### portcullis

A strong gate that hangs above the entrance to the castle. It is made of w metal.



#### bailey

The bailey was an enclosed courtyard.



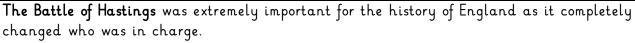
#### battlements

pathways built around the top of a castle with gaps for firing arrows.



# Key Knowledge

The Bayeux Tapestry tells the story of the events surrounding the conquest of England in 1066 (The Battle of Hastings) by the Duke of Normandy.



The Anglo-Saxons had ruled the land for over 600 years since the Roman times. Now, the Normans had taken over, which meant big changes.

