



**Title of topic - Towers, Tunnels and Turrets**

**Topic focus: History, Design and Technology**

Year 2 – Summer term

This is the knowledge organiser for our topic. It includes all the learning outcomes, key facts and vocabulary. Please share this with your child to help them develop their knowledge and understanding of our topic.

**Key facts**

Castles were built to:  
Control the surrounding area and defend against attack from enemies.



**knight**

**Key vocabulary**

- battlements
- moat
- arrow loops
- bailey
- tower
- portcullis
- drawbridge
- barbican
- ramparts
- keep
- motte
- turret
- defence
- royalty
- noble
- William the Conqueror
- Isambard Kingdom Brunel
- Industrial Revolution
- engineer
- bridge
- burrow
- garderobes
- reign
- heir
- dependent

**Key facts**

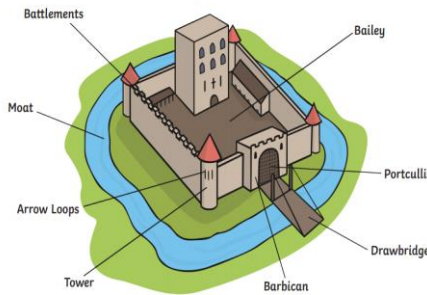
The first castles in England were built by **William the Conqueror** and the Normans when they invaded in England in **1066**.

They needed a quick, easy and sure way to defend all the land they'd just won, and castles helped them to this.

**Key facts**

Isambard Kingdom Brunel (1806-1859) was one of the most inventive engineers of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. He is responsible for building some amazing structures.

**Parts of a Castle**



**Key facts**

A castle is a where a lord or noble such as a king or queen lived. They used to use earth and timber to build castles but then changed to stone.

A bridge is a structure built over a road, river or railway that allows people or vehicles to cross from one side to the other. Bridges can be built from a range of materials.

**Key facts**

Queen Victoria's reign is known as the Victorian age or era.

Queen Victoria was born in 1819 and was crowned Queen aged 18. She reigned for 63 years and 7 months.