



Discover Portencross Castle

Drama at the Castle!

Learning outcomes: I am learning to appreciate the effects of attacks on people in the castle and to act out various situations.

Castles often came under attack from enemies and each one had a different effect on the people inside. In groups, act out each of the short situations here, making sure everyone in your group has the chance to take part.

1. You are living in a castle made from earth and wood when you suddenly realise that your enemies are attacking. You see lit arrows being fired over the walls and realise that fire can do a lot of damage and could lead to people being killed. You and your people may be trapped inside. Act out the situation and try to find an escape solution.

2. You are safely inside a strong, stone-built castle and think that nothing can harm you! Your enemies arrive and you hear banging sounds as they try to get in using a battering ram at the main door. Your people are able to make the door safe but you notice that the walls are beginning to shake. What can you do?

3. A look-out has spotted the enemy approaching your castle with tall ladders. The attackers intend to use these to climb over the castle walls. You do not have long to find a solution!!



Choose one member of the group to report on each activity to the rest of the class.

Each group can choose a scenario to act out to the other groups.