




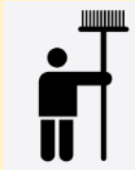












# Why were castles built in England?

Key Substantive Concepts	
country 	ruler 

1066	1666	2024 - My living memory
		
<u>(Present day)</u>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>William the Conqueror became king and ruler of England.</li><li>He won the Battle of Hastings.</li><li>He built castles to show his power.</li><li>He came from France.</li><li>He lived from 1028 – 1087.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Great Fire of London</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nottingham Castle is used as a museum.</li></ul>

Key Vocabulary		
	peasant	A poor person who does not have much money. They would often work on a farm.
	enemy	A person who does not like another person or their ideas.
	Battle of Hastings	A fight over who should be the king of England between the Norman-French army and the English army.
	castle	A large building used as homes, built to protect people from enemies.
	war	Fighting between countries or groups of people.
	century	100 years.

What was lifelike for rich and poor <u>before</u> William the Conqueror ruled? (Around 1000 years ago)		What was lifelike for rich and poor <u>after</u> William the Conqueror ruled? (2025)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Markets in towns sold a range of goods such as jewellery, leather items, cloth and woven.</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The lord or noble lived inside the keep to stay safe from enemies attacking.</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>90% of people lived in villages and worked on farms.</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Knights had to fight in battles against the attacking enemies.</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The <b>peasants</b> would work on the farms.</li><li>On other days they farmed their own rented land to grow enough food to survive and pay rent.</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The <b>peasants</b> would have the job of cleaning out the smelly cesspits (toilets). This job was known as a <b>Gong Farmer</b>.</li><li><b>Servants</b> in the castle would look after children, do the cleaning, sewing, and laundry.</li></ul>	