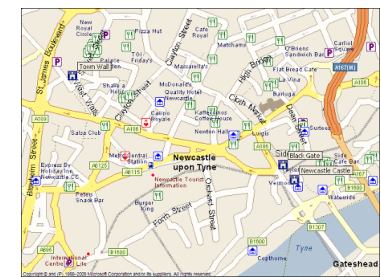




Historic Newcastle




Timeline									
122AD	211AD	400AD	1080AD	1095AD	1130AD	1168AD	1178AD	1250AD	1800AD
Castle first built of timber on ruins of Roman fort.	Castle first built in stone.	Fort abandoned as Roman rule ended.	Wooden castle built on site of Roman fort. This was named "The New Castle."	Castle was besieged by King William II.	Castle used by King David I as one of his capitals.	Castle rebuild in stone as it stands today.	Stone castle completed by Maurice the Engineer.	Black Gate building finished to add to defences.	First restoration of the Castle and Keep bought for £630.

Key Vocabulary- Castles	
Gatehouse	The complex of towers, bridges, and barriers built to protect each entrance through a castle or town wall.
Moat	A deep trench (usually filled with water) which surrounds a castle.
Portcullis	A vertical sliding wooden grille which was designed to slide down and protect the gateway.
Keep	The inner stronghold of the castle.
Barbican	A forward extension of a castle gateway.
Drawbridge	A wooden bridge leading to a gateway which could be raised and lowered.
Dungeon / Oubliette	A jail which would usually be found at the bottom of one of the towers. Oubliettes were reached by a trap door.
Fortification	A defensive wall or reinforcement built to defend a place from attack.
Battlements	A parapet on the top of a wall that has regularly spaced square openings for shooting through.

DID YOU KNOW?


Newcastle was one of a number of witch trials. In 1649, 27 out of 30 suspected witches were found guilty and 14 were executed on the Town Moor. The witch finder was called Cuthbert Nicholson.

NEWCASTLE CASTLE



- Newcastle Castle is a medieval fortification in Newcastle- Upon- Tyne.
- It is built on the site of the fortress that gave the city its name,
- The Castle Keep is the main stone tower.
- The Black Gate is the name of the gatehouse.
- The site of the castle used to be a fort which was called Pons Aelius.
- The stone castle which stands now was built in 1168AD and the Black Gate was added in 1250AD.
- Nothing remains of the original Roman fort or Motte and Bailey Castle.
- The rooftop enables people to see all over the city.

LITERARY AND PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY



- The Literary and Philosophical Society (Lit. and Phil.) is a historical library in the heart of Newcastle.
- It was built in 1825 and is located a few metres away from Central Station.
- The library houses a collection of more than 170, 000 books.
- It is the largest independent library outside of London.
- The library is believed to be haunted!