

Palace of Holyroodhouse

# Welcome to the Palace of Holyroodhouse

The Palace is His Majesty The King's official home in Scotland. We hope that you enjoy exploring the Palace!



Holly and Rudy

### Palace Wardens

You can ask people dressed like us questions about the palace, or for help!



**Entrance** 

How many animals can

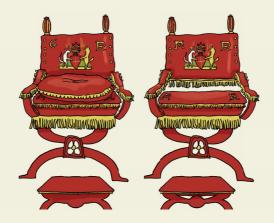
you see in the coat of arms above the entrance to the Palace?



Royal Dining Room

This room was first used as a dining room by Queen Victoria, and it is where The King and the Royal Family eat dinner when they stay at the Palace.

How many people can fit around the table? Count the chairs.



Throne Room

# These thrones were made for King George V and Queen Mary in 1911.

Can you see their initials 'GR' and 'MR' on the thrones? They stand for George Rex (Rex means 'king' in an old language called Latin) and Mary Regina (Regina means 'queen' in Latin).



Privy Chamber

The tapestries in this room have been hanging on the walls for more than 200 years! As well as looking nice, they help to keep the room cosy and warm.

Look up at the ceiling – can you see the four crowns? See if you can spot any animals in the room.



King's Bedchamber

The King's Bedchamber was once the most important room in the Palace – it was where only very special people would be invited to speak to royalty in private.

Does your bed have curtains like the King's bed?



## Great Gallery

There are 96 paintings of Scottish monarchs in this room: 95 kings and one queen. They were all painted by the same artist, Jacob de Wet, in just two years.

Can you find the hidden door in the wall?



Bonnie Prince Charlie

Bonnie Prince Charlie brought the Palace to life in 1745 when he set up court for 6 weeks.

Can you find objects that belonged to the Prince?



Mary, Queen of Scots' Chambers

Mary, Queen of Scots once lived at the Palace. You will now explore her rooms, which contain many objects that belonged to her.

In the Bedchamber, can you find the small Supper Room where Mary used to eat her meals?

In the Outer Chamber, can you find the embroidery of a cat and a mouse, made by Mary, Queen of Scots?



Holyrood Abbey

Can you find a picture of what the abbey used to look like?

This building is more than 900 years old.



Palace Gardens

# In July, The King has a big party in the gardens with 8,000 guests.

Can you hear any birds or animals?



**Toilet** 

## Please ask a warden for directions to

your nearest toilet facility.

(Toilets can be found in the Mews, Palace Quadrangle, Café and the Queen's Gallery)



Help



Yes



No



Don't know



Look



Stop



Food