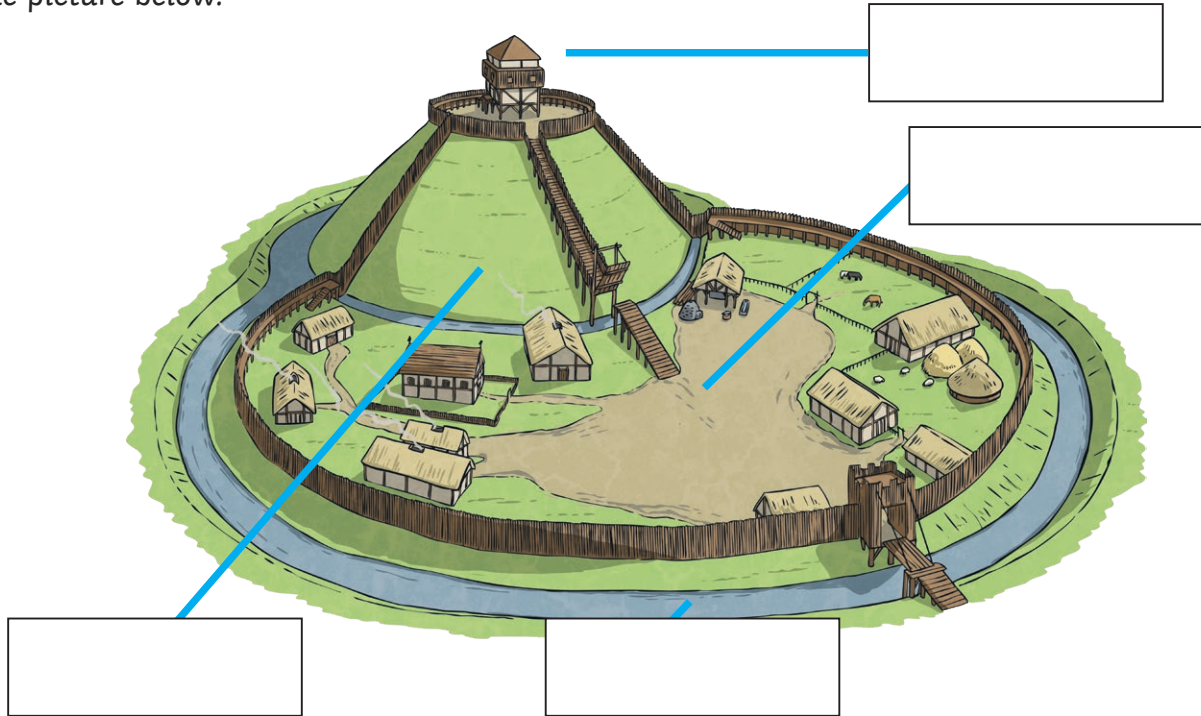


# Motte and Bailey Castles

Motte and bailey castles were made up of two \_\_\_\_\_ parts. The motte was a tall, \_\_\_\_\_ hill which would have usually been man-made. The sides were steep to prevent attackers running up them quickly. The slower they ran, the easier it was for archers to hit them with \_\_\_\_\_ from the keep. The \_\_\_\_\_ was the building where the owners of the castle would live. It was the \_\_\_\_\_ place in the castle. The bailey was open, flat ground surrounded by a tall, wooden fence, often topped with \_\_\_\_\_.

Label the picture below.



## Who Built Motte and Bailey Castles?

Motte and bailey castles were \_\_\_\_\_ in Ireland by the Normans (people who came from Normandy in \_\_\_\_\_). The \_\_\_\_\_ wanted a way to stay safe in a new country so they needed castles that could be built quickly.

## What Else Was in a Motte and Bailey Castle?

The \_\_\_\_\_ inside the bailey was filled with lots of different buildings. There were \_\_\_\_\_ for the soldiers to stay in, as well as \_\_\_\_\_ for the horses. The \_\_\_\_\_ also had kitchens and bakeries.

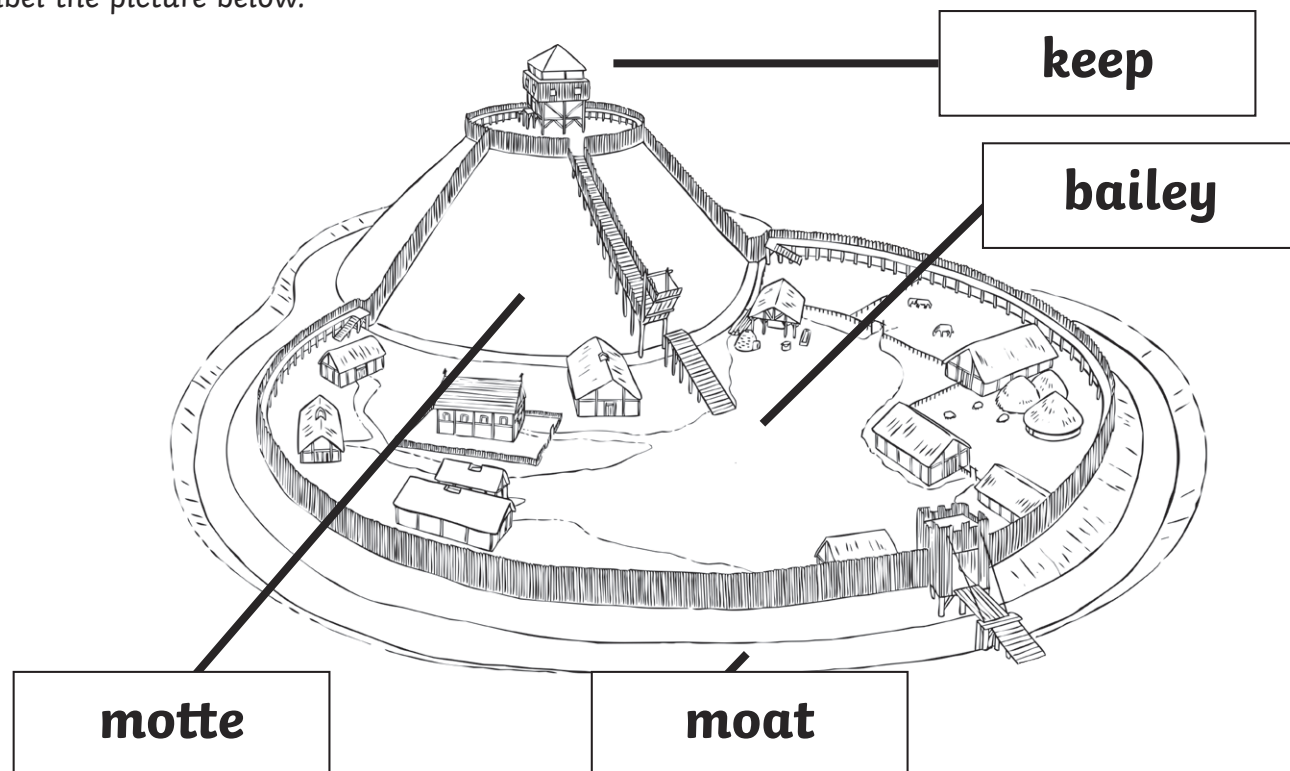
As well as the motte, bailey and keep, there was also a moat \_\_\_\_\_ the castle. This was a deep ditch that was usually filled with \_\_\_\_\_. This made it even more difficult for anyone to attack the castle.

Word Bank							
bailey	water	France	spikes	keep	space	built	barracks
safest	steep	stables	Normans	main	arrows	surrounding	

# Motte and Bailey Castles Answers

Motte and bailey castles were made up of two **main** parts. The motte was a tall, **steep** hill which would have usually been man-made. The sides were steep to prevent attackers running up them quickly. The slower they ran, the easier it was for archers to hit them with **arrows** from the keep. The **keep** was the building where the owners of the castle would live. It was the **safest** place in the castle. The bailey was open, flat ground surrounded by a tall, wooden fence, often topped with **spikes**.

Label the picture below.



Who Built Motte and Bailey Castles?

Motte and bailey castles were **built** in Ireland by the Normans (people who came from Normandy in **France**). The **Normans** wanted a way to stay safe in a new country so they needed castles that could be built quickly.

What Else Was in a Motte and Bailey Castle?

The **space** inside the bailey was filled with lots of different buildings. There were **barracks** for the soldiers to stay in, as well as **stables** for the horses. The **bailey** also had kitchens and bakeries.

As well as the motte, bailey and keep, there was also a moat **surrounding** the castle. This was a deep ditch that was usually filled with **water**. This made it even more difficult for anyone to attack the castle.

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