

The Tower is one of London's most popular sights. It is close to the Thames. The history of this old castle goes back to William the Conqueror (who invaded England in 1066). The Tower has served as a fortress, a royal residence and a prison. It is nowadays a museum.



Thousands of tourists come daily. Everybody wants to see the Crown jewels. The Tower is not only one tower. It consists of several individual buildings. The best-known are the White Tower and the Bloody Tower, in which many people were imprisoned before they were executed. There are strong walls around the Tower.



The Tower is guarded by the so-called „Beefeaters“. They wear old-fashioned uniforms. One of the Beefeaters is responsible for the ravens, which have been kept in the Tower for ages. There is a legend that the British Empire will fall if the ravens should leave the tower. Today the Empire no longer exists and yet the ravens are all in excellent health.

sight: Sehenswürdigkeit
close by: nahe bei
invade: eindringen
fortress: Festung
nowadays: heutzutage

consist of: bestehen aus
several: mehrere
execute: hinrichten
guard: hüten
old-fashioned: altmodisch

responsible: verantwortlich
raven: Rabe
empire: Reich
yet: doch
health: Gesundheit

Translate:

1. Der Tower ist eine beliebte Sehenswürdigkeit.
2. Wilhelm der Eroberer drang im Jahre 1066 in England ein.
3. Der Tower diente als Gefängnis.
4. Tausende von Touristen kommen täglich.
5. Sie wollen die Kronjuwelen sehen.
6. Es hat starke Mauern um den Tower herum.
7. Er ist für die Raben verantwortlich.
8. Sie tragen altmodische Uniformen..
9. Die Raben verlassen den Tower nicht.
10. Das Britische Reich besteht nicht mehr.

SIGHTS OF LONDON?

Streiche, was nicht in London ist:

Tower ✓
~~Empire State Building~~
 Tower Bridge
 Eiffel Tower
 Big Ben
 Disneyland
 Golden Gate Bridge
 Buckingham Palace

The White House
 Cable Car
 Westminster Abby
 The Kremlin
 Piccadilly Circus
 Madame Tussaud's
 The Little Mermaid
 Time Square

Chinatown
 Hyde Park
 Prater
 Lincoln Memorial
 St Paul's Cathedral
 Trafalgar Square
 Sunset Boulevard