



Animal Quiz Activity

Leader's Notes



You will need:

- **Animal Quiz sheets** for each pupil (2 levels to choose from)
- **pencil** and **clipboard** for each pupil (or pupils could do this in pairs)
- **Leader's Notes on the Heraldic Ceiling** (on separate download)
- **Animal Quiz answer sheet**

Activity Aims:

- to explore the shields on the 500 year old Heraldic Ceiling
- to discover the different animals used in Heraldry

Instructions:

Start at the **back** of the cathedral (by the gallery) and look up at the ceiling and see if you can answer the **quiz** questions.

Move towards the east end of the church until you get to the chancel ropes.

You can **sit in the pews** if you wish and tell the pupils some facts from the **Leader's notes**

When you have answered the questions have a go at the Children's puzzles on our **Interactive box** at the back.

Hope you have fun.



St Machar's Cathedral Heraldic Ceiling



Animal Quiz

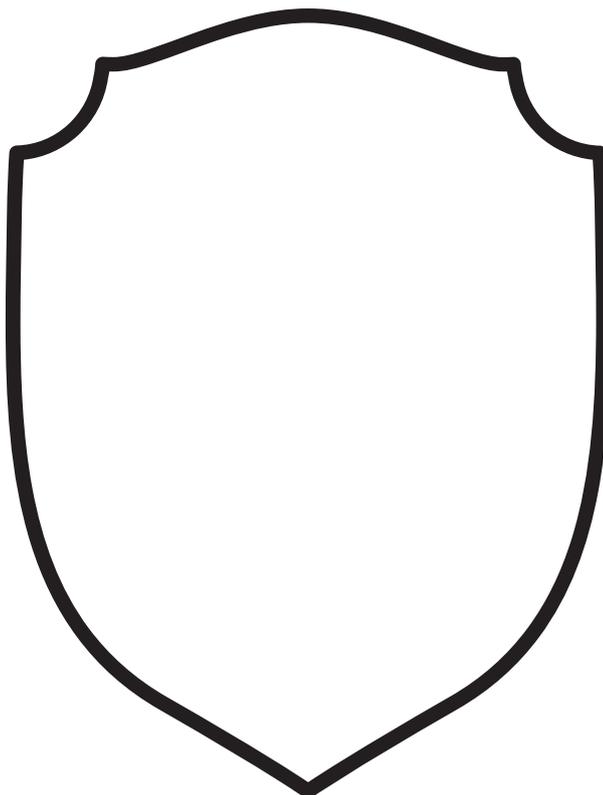
Look up!



What animals can you see?

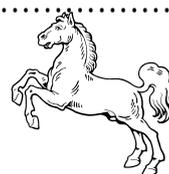
Animal	How many?
lion	
boar (wild pig)	
horse	
donkey	
fish (salmon)	
birds	
eagles (1 has double head)	
cockerels or roosters	
dove (white bird)	

“ Which animal do you like the best?
Draw it on the shield ”



Can you find a shield with a horse?
What colour is the horse?

.....

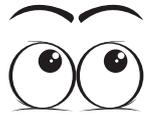




St Machar's Cathedral Heraldic Ceiling

Animal Quiz

Discover animals on our ceiling



QUICK TIPS Have a plan so you don't miss any shields. Start at the front or the back of the church and work along.

1. Fill in the missing letters to find all the animals you can see on the ceiling. Then write how many of each animal you find.

2. Which animal is the most common?
Why do you think that animal was so popular?

3. Name other shapes and objects you see on the shields.

“ If you had your own shield what animal would you like on it and why?
.....
.....
..... ”

Animal name	How many
l _ _ _	
_ _ _ _ (wild pig)	
_ _ s _	
r _ o _ t _ _ s	
_ _ g _ _	
_ _ v _	
b _ _ _	
d _ n _ _ _	
_ _ r _ _	



St Machar's Cathedral Heraldic Ceiling

Animal Quiz Answers



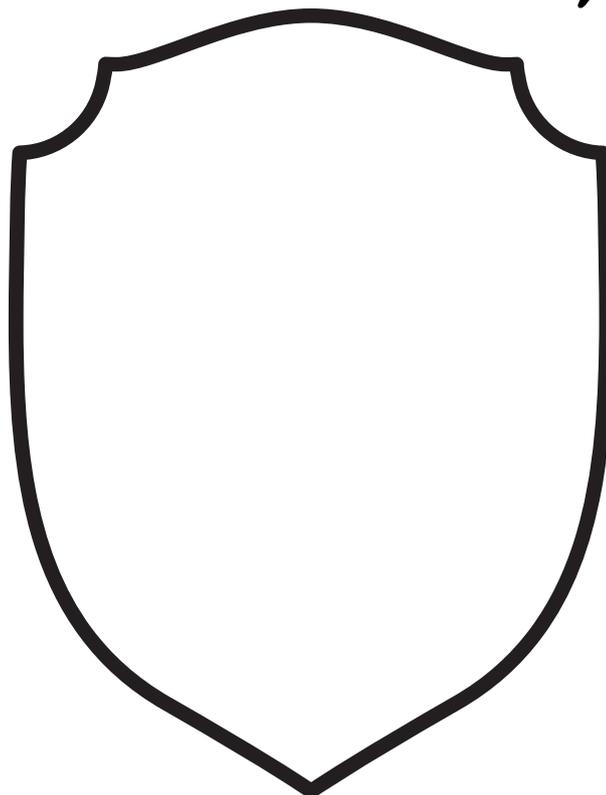
Look up!



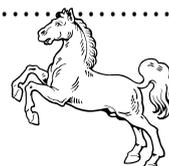
What animals can you see?

Animal name	How many?
lion	28
boar (wild pig)	7
horse	1
donkey	2
fish (salmon)	3
birds	4
eagles (1 has double head)	3
cockerels or roosters	3
dove (white bird)	1

“ Which animal do you like the best?
Draw it on the shield ”



Can you find a shield with a horse?
What colour is the horse?
.....**white**.....

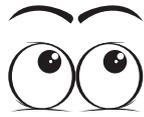




St Machar's Cathedral Heraldic Ceiling

Animal Quiz Answers

Discover animals on our ceiling



Have a plan so you don't miss any shields. Start at the front or the back of the church and work along.

1. Name the different animals you can see on the ceiling. Then write how many of each animal you find.

2. Which animal is the most common? Lion.....
Why do you think everyone wanted that animal on their shield?

Answers include powerful animal, predator, handsome, exotic, rare, symbol of bravery

3. name other shapes and objects on the ceiling.

Answers can include: fleur de lys (lily flowers), crosses, castles, love hearts, diamonds (lozenge), stripes, dice, flowers, chequerboard, wheels, stars, boats, shields, book, pot



If you had your own shield what animal would you like to have?

Individual answers and a reason why animal chosen.



Animal name	How many
lion	28
boar (wild pig)	7
fish (salmon)	3
roosters (chickens)	3
eagle (one double headed) (birds of prey)	3
Dove (white bird)	1
birds	4
donkey	2
horse	1