

TOPIC: THE ENCHANTED CASTLE**AGE GROUP: 14-15 YEARS OLD/ 8 GRADE****TIME: 45 MINUTES****AIMS:****By the end of the lesson the students should be able to:**

- talk freely about castles and tendencies in castle building in 5 countries
- use freely words related to castles

Skills development:

- to develop students' speaking skills – talking on a particular topic – castles
- to develop students' reading skills – reading the texts in the interactive activities
- to develop students' skills in using the tenses correctly

Pedagogical aims:

- to arise students' interest in the topic and make them feel at ease in class
- to acquaint the students with new vocabulary
- to give clear and comprehensible instructions for each activity
- to develop students' team spirit- group work

Activities:

Number of Activity	Name of activity	Description of activity	Time
1	Lead in - Discussion	Have you seen a castle? What is a castle? What was its function? How are places for building castles chosen? The teacher has prepared a slide show of pictures of famous castles, illustrating the differences in castle building in 5 different countries. The teacher first asks the students if they know the name of the castle and where it is located. The students describe the castle, if there are words they do not know, the teacher helps them. A summary of the tendencies of castle building is done. At the end of the activity (3-4 sentences for each castle)	10 min
2	Building a castle – Interactive activity	This activity first has to be made in an interactive format, because it is not provided. The students work in pairs on computers and each group has to build a castle. Each group will see a text, related to castles. It will be better if the text is a story, so that it will be more interesting for the students. There are 20 blanks in the text, the verbs are missing. The students have to think of a suitable verb and put it in the correct tense. The tenses should be varied. When the students fill in the blank with a correct verb form, a part of the castle appears. After the whole text is filled in with the correct verb forms, the castle is built. At the end of the activity the verb forms should be discussed – which verb should be chosen and why it is in the respective tense.	20 min

3	The enchanted Castle-Interactive activity	The student is in an enchanted castle. In order to leave it safe and sound, he/she has to go through six halls. In each hall they answer questions, related to their general knowledge of the English language, English history and literature.	15 min