Welcome!

The gallery is full of people who shaped Scotland’s past, present and future.

Who will you meet - and what will you spot - today?

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Say ‘hello!’ or ‘goodbye!’

Our job is to keep the art and everyone safe.

If you find a favourite artwork, let us know which one!

If you get stuck, we’re here to help.
Wonderful Windows
East stairs
Level 2

What shapes can you see?

How might it feel different standing here on a sunny or a grey day?

When you get home, design your own stained-glass window for your bedroom - think about shapes, colours and symbols.
Kings & Queens
Level 2

Find an outfit fit for a King or Queen.

How is it different to what you’re wearing?

What do you think it would feel like to wear?
Clothes from the past
Level 2

Pick an outfit with fancy frills or delicate details.

What would it feel like to wear?

Would it make your daily life easier or more difficult? Why?

How do you (or others around you) dress to impress?
Pets in paintings
Level 2

Sometimes you can find pets in the portraits on this level.

What do you think the animals would tell us about their owners?
Swords & Shields
Level 2

Find a painting with a battle or soldiers.

Imagine you’ve stepped into the painting.

What do you think might happen next?
Sculpted Heads
West stairs

Do you **recognise** any of the people?

If not, do you think they are **important**? Why?

Are there any **clues** to who the person might be?
Family Crest
The Great Hall
Level 1

Some of these crests have things that were **important** to the people in the artwork.

What **objects** would you include in a portrait of your family?

People, objects, names, places?
Beasties
In Branches
The Great Hall
Level 1

Can you find any creatures in the leaves on the pillars?
Funny Facial Hair
The Great Hall
Ground Floor

Who has the best moustache, beard or old-fashioned hairstyle in the Great Hall?

Can you find out what they are famous for?
Poet
The Great Hall  
Ground Floor  

Say *hello* to Robert Burns.

**Copy** his pose. Do you think it makes you look brave?

How would you **pose** for a statue of you?
Stars In The Sky
The Great Hall
Ground Floor & Level 1

Can you spot 3 creatures up in the stars?

Look at all the people in a long procession above the arches.

Who would you put in your own version? Celebrities? Your family? Your friends?
Draw the best things you spotted today: