



THE TOWER OF LONDON



The Tower of London is one of the most popular of London's historical sites.

It consists of 20 towers.





The oldest of them is the White Tower. It dates back to the 11th century and the time of William the Conqueror.

Various kings used the Tower of London for many purposes. The Tower was a royal palace, an observatory, an arsenal, a state prison, a zoo. It is now a museum.





**The Place where
Kings, Queens,
and Great
Politicians were
executed**



The Tower is famous as home of the
Crown Jewels.



You can see the Crown of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother with the famous Indian diamond.



A lot of tourists come to see
a fine collection of armour





The ravens are one of the most famous sights at the Tower. They have lived in the Tower from its very beginning. The legend says that only so long as they are in the Tower will the Tower stand. If the ravens leave the Tower, the Crown and England will fall.



King Charles II ordered that six ravens should always live in the Tower. Since then they have been under Royal protection. Each raven has got its name.

The Raven Master gives them raw meat every day. They can't fly away, because their wings are clipped.





The Yeoman Warders or Beefeaters protect the Tower. They still wear their picturesque Tudor uniform.