

# Sightseeing highlights in London

**Don't forget to bring your camera !** 





From London Eye, Madam Tussaud's and Tower of London, above are London's most visited tourist attractions. There's no better place to soak up some culture than London.



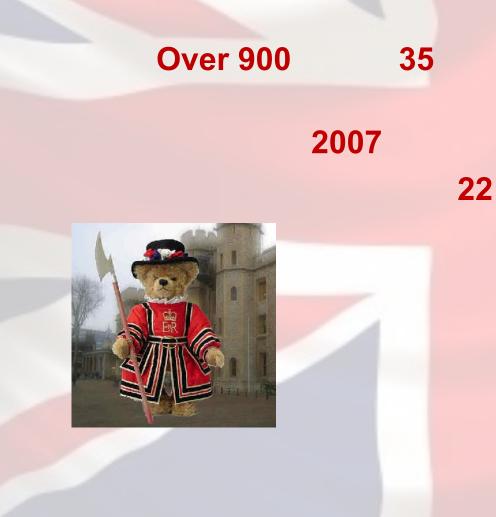






# Tower of London

One of the world's most famous buildings. It has been a royal palace, prison and place of execution, armoury, jewel house and the first London Zoo!





1. What are the people in the picture called?

2. Why are they called that?

3. What do these numbers mean for the Tower of London?

### Answers

### I. They are called Beefeaters or Yeoman Warders.

In theory, they guard the Tower of London, look after the Tower's prisoners and safeguard the British crown jewels, but in reality they are tour guides .

2. The nickname "Beefeater" was given when the guards were paid partially in meat.

3. 900 – the age of Tower of London

22 – number of years you should be in the army before becoming a Beefeater

2007 – first female Beefeater was employed

35 – number of Beefeaters







# Hyde Park

Hyde Park is one of London's finest landscapes and covers over 350 acres. Over 7 million visitors visit Hyde Park each year.



Henry VIII bought Hyde Park from the monks of Westminster Abbey in 1536 to use for hunting for the royal family.

Only in 1637 King James I opened the park to the general public. Over the years it became a place where people have enjoyed many things from swimming and boating to concerts and exhibitions.

## **Baker Street**

Sherlock Holmes and Doctor John H. Watson lived at **221b** Baker Street between 1881-1904, according to the stories written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

### Can you solve this puzzle?

### beclklwioc







DEAR Mr. Dead Sherlack Holmes, I feel stupid writing you this letter because I know your six feet under. It's my teachers idea about writing you. this letter so don't think I'm Crazy. Don't worry I think my teacher is loosing it top. But this will be worth it when my grade gets higher. (its extra credit) WELL gotta go and Nice talking to ya. write Bach Soon' P. SEELING! Sincerly Tanya Marting IS Studid! Bincerly Tanya Marting

Even though the famous detective is dead,

# the letters are just keep coming









The **London Eye** is a major feature of London's skyline. It is the world's highest observation wheel, with 32 capsules, each weighing 10 tonnes, and holding up to 25 people. Climb aboard for a breath-taking experience, with unforgettable views of more than 55 of London's most famous landmarks – all in just 30 minutes!







### **Kensington Palace**





In 1689 William III bought Kensington Palace originally known as Nottingham House from his Secretary of State. The house was extended and improved. This included the construction of Royal Apartments for the King and Queen, a council chamber, the Chapel Royal and the Great Stairs.

Queen Victoria was born and brought up in the Palace.

Queen Mary (grandmother of the present Queen) was born at Kensington in 1867. The Duke of Edinburgh stayed there in his grandmother's apartment in 1947 between his engagement and his marriage. Home to William and Catherine, Kensington Palace is now open to the public after a multi-million dollar refurbishment.





### Enjoy your visit



# Madam Tussauds



The museum opened its doors over 200 years ago. It is filled with 14 exciting, interactive zones and the amazing Marvel Super Heroes 4D movie experience and combines glamour with incredible history.



How did it all start? With this tiny woman on the left.

Madame Tussauds learnt to model wax likenesses when she was 17 in France. She came to Britain in the early 19th century with an exhibition of her works. In 1835, Madame Tussauds' exhibition established a permanent base in London as the Baker Street Bazaar visitors paid 'sixpence' for the chance to meet the famous people of the day. The attraction moved to its present place in Marylebone Road in 1884.

#### Here you'll come face-to-face with some of the world's most famous faces.



#### From Shakespeare



Pose with David Beckham

you'll meet well-known figures from showbiz, sport, politics and even Royalty.



or receive a once-in-a-lifetime audience with Her Majesty the Queen.



### to Lady Gaga



kiss Brad Pitt







