INVISIBLE (GLASGOW)

Fun Activity trail Glasgow
Welcome to Invisible (Glasgow)

This Fun Activity Trail will help you explore the city of Glasgow like never before!

It was put together by the team at Invisible Cities. We help support homeless people by training them to become walking tour guides and we offer our tours to the public so they discover the INVISIBLE side of our cities!

Complete all the activities here and win a small prize—more information on this at the end in the Parents’ Section. All you need is a pencil and crayons!

Let the Invisible (Glasgow) Trail begin!
Find the word that corresponds to each clue. Some of the words can be hard to find, so ask your parents for help!

ACROSS
1: A type of skirt traditionally worn by men in Scotland.
4: The name of the river in Glasgow
6: What Scottish mountains are called
7: A building in which interesting and valuable things like historical objects are collected and shown to the public.
9: The main square in Glasgow
10: A large town

DOWN
2: Pieces of land surrounded by water
3: The capital of Scotland
5: A shape that has a pointed top. What the statue of the Duke of Wellington is wearing on its head
8: The monster that lives in Loch Ness
Glasgow Fun Facts

Did you know these 3 FUN FACTS about Glasgow?

1. Glasgow was the birthplace of the Tikka Masala Curry!

The legend says that the Shish Mahal in Kelvinbridge invented it the 70s. The world-famous chicken tikka masala was the result of a customer complaint that his meat was too dry; the owner responded by throwing together spices and tinned tomato soup.

2. The story of Sir Roger the elephant

Sir Roger is an Asian elephant and one of Kelvingrove’s Museum exhibit. He joined a zoo in Glasgow in the late 19th century - but by 1900 he was 27 and acting aggressively. The story goes that he had too much testosterone so he had to be put down - handlers did so by presenting him with his morning meal then sadly killed him.

3. Glasgow used to have a castle too!

Did you know there is a street called Castle Street in Glasgow? Where does it get its name from? The Bishop’s Castle once stood to the left of Glasgow Cathedral in the city’s medieval quarter. All traces of it were demolished in 1792 and nowadays you’ll see the Royal Infirmary there.

Which one is your favourite story?

Ask your parents to let us know on social media!
Did you know that the first kilt ever was recorded in the 16th century as the great kilt, a full-length garment whose upper half could be worn as a cloak. Each Scottish clan had its own TARTAN (patterned cloth).

How many different kinds of TARTAN do you think there are?
The Duke of Wellington is missing his famous cone!! Someone has stolen it. Will you guess who? (It is important you read the next 3 pages in the right order to complete this activity)

When you arrive on the scene, there are 3 witnesses to ask questions to.

Mary says:
I saw someone looking suspicious. He started running and went inside the

Mary

Oops!
Letters have been mixed up. Put them in the right order to find where the suspect went!
I didn’t see anything sorry!  
But I know the cone was just repainted -------- days ago!"

11+8-5-13+1

To find out how many days ago the cone was repainted- do the math!

I saw someone in a hurry, carrying a large black bag.  
She was going towards

Opened on 21th February 1842, I welcome hundreds of people  
every day but none of them stay with me.  
My name has something royal about it!

Solve this charade to find out where the suspect went!

Do you know how the Duke of Wellington got this cone in the first place?

The cone is said to have appeared in the 80s and be placed there by locals after they had a party and many drinks!  
The council removed it several times but somehow locals always found a way to put it back.  It is now allowed to be on the statue and is part of Glasgow's tradition!
In the MUSEUM, you meet Jack. He says:
*Of course I was running, I was late and I work in the Gallery!*

**FUN FACT!**
Did you know that in The Gallery of Modern Art, they had artwork by the famous Andy Warhol?

In Queen Street Station, you see Babs with a large bag. You look at it closely.

**WHO STOLE THE FAMOUS GLASGOW CONE?**
Do you know about homelessness?

Unfortunately, there are also homeless people in Glasgow
Will you be able to guess if the following statements are true or false?

- Being homeless means sleeping on the streets only
  - True
  - False

- There are not many homeless people in Scotland
  - True
  - False

- Homeless People are not educated
  - True
  - False

- Homelessness only exists in cities. Not in the countryside
  - True
  - False

- Children cannot become homeless
  - True
  - False
The Duke of Wellington is on his horse... make one appear here.

The statue of the Duke of Wellington was created by Italian artist Carlo Marochetti and erected in 1844. It is more famous for its cone than the person it represents.

Do you know who the Duke was?

Arthur Wellesley, was the 1st Duke of Wellington and an Anglo-Irish soldier who was one of the leading military and political figures of 19th-century Britain, serving twice as Prime Minister.
By purchasing this Fun Activity Trail, you are supporting the work we do at Invisible Cities, and all our trainees and guides, who have had an experience of homelessness.

You will find the answers to all quizzes and questions on the following page.

You can keep supporting us and have your children learn more things by downloading our Fun Activity Trails for Edinburgh, Manchester or York.

Want to win a prize from Invisible Cities?

Post a photo on social media of the map coloured, or the Unicorn, tagging us and we will send you one of our Invisible Cities tote bags! Please also recommend us to others and let us know what everyone thought about our trail!

We rely on your support to continue our activities so please consider:

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ALL ANSWERS REVEALED!

COLOUR ME - PAGE 5
There are 4000 tartans registered in Scotland, though not all are available for kilt making!

DETECTIVE STORY - PAGE 6
MUSEUM

DETECTIVE STORY - PAGE 7
2 Days ago  Queen Street Station

DETECTIVE STORY - PAGE 8
Marilyn Monroe  The thief is Babs- she has orange paint on her bag!

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT HOMELESSNESS - PAGE 7
False - Being homelessness can also mean living in a hostel, B&B, a refuge or sofa surfing!
False - There are 36,465 people registered as homeless in Scotland, including 14,075 children (Source: Shelter)
False- A lot of people attended school, even university. At Invisible Cities, 20% of our guides are more educated than our CEO
False- There are also homeless people in rural areas, which makes it harder for them to access services
False (see answer about number of homeless people)