



Fort Anne  
National Historic Site

# XPLORERS

PARKS CANADA

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_



- Fort Anne -

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# WELCOME!

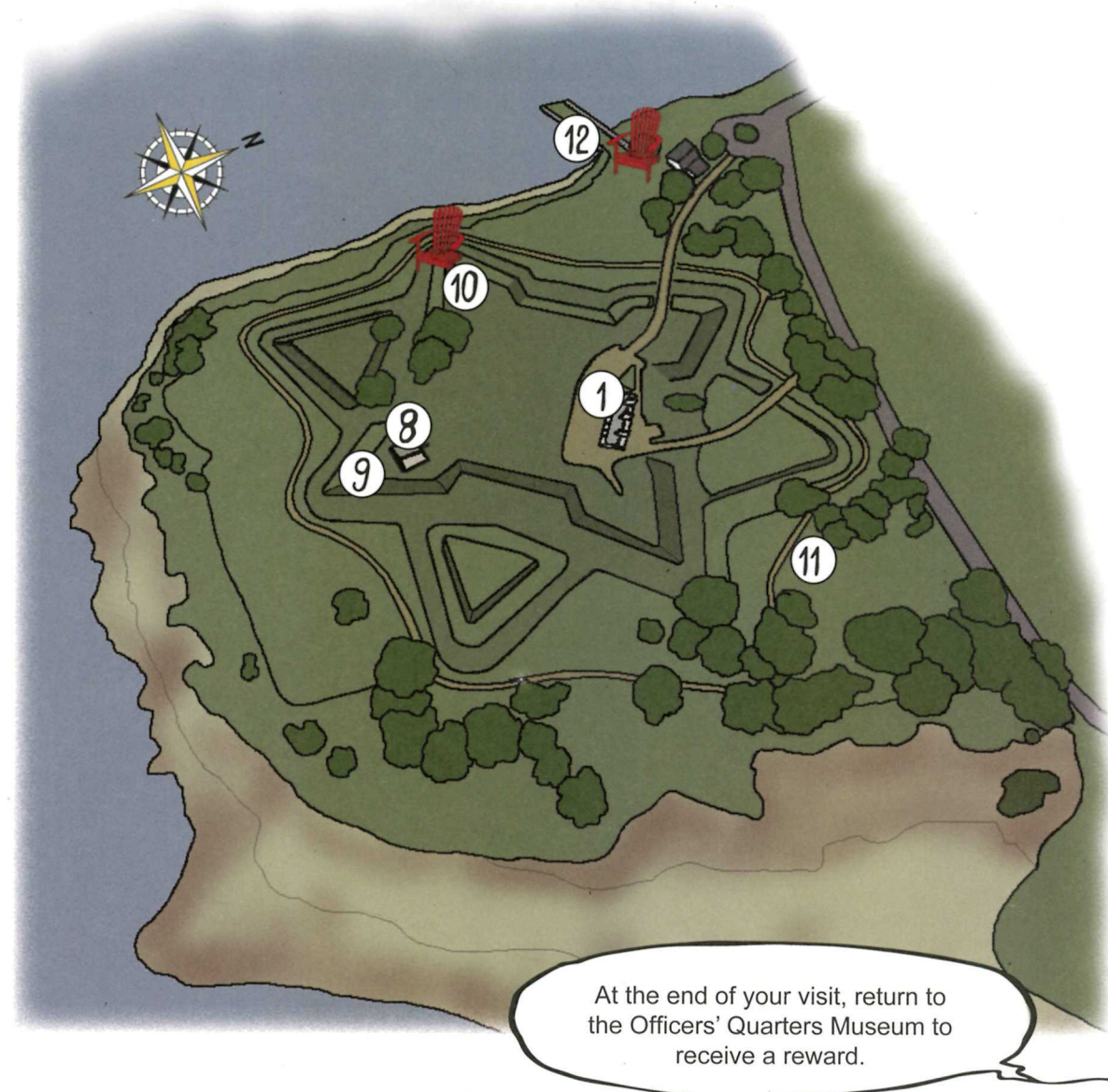
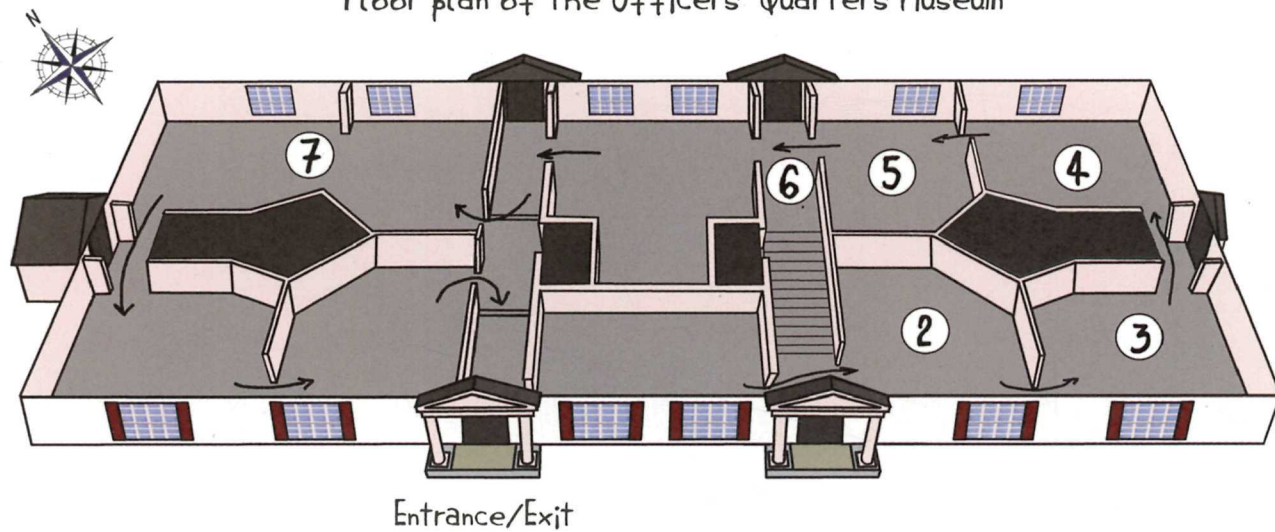
## to FORT ANNE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

Fort Anne is one of the best examples of a star-shaped earthen fort in Canada!  
You'll see the numbers below on the activity pages in your booklet. Find them on these maps to see where to go.

Happy Xploring!

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|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| ① Officers' Quarters Museum | ⑦ Tapestry Room     |
| ② Confluence Room           | ⑧ Powder Magazine   |
| ③ Power & Diplomacy Room    | ⑨ Southwest bastion |
| ④ Acadian Room              | ⑩ Black hole        |
| ⑤ Fortification Room        | ⑪ Cemetery          |
| ⑥ Hallway                   | ⑫ Queen's Wharf     |

Floor plan of the Officers' Quarters Museum



# GO MEET

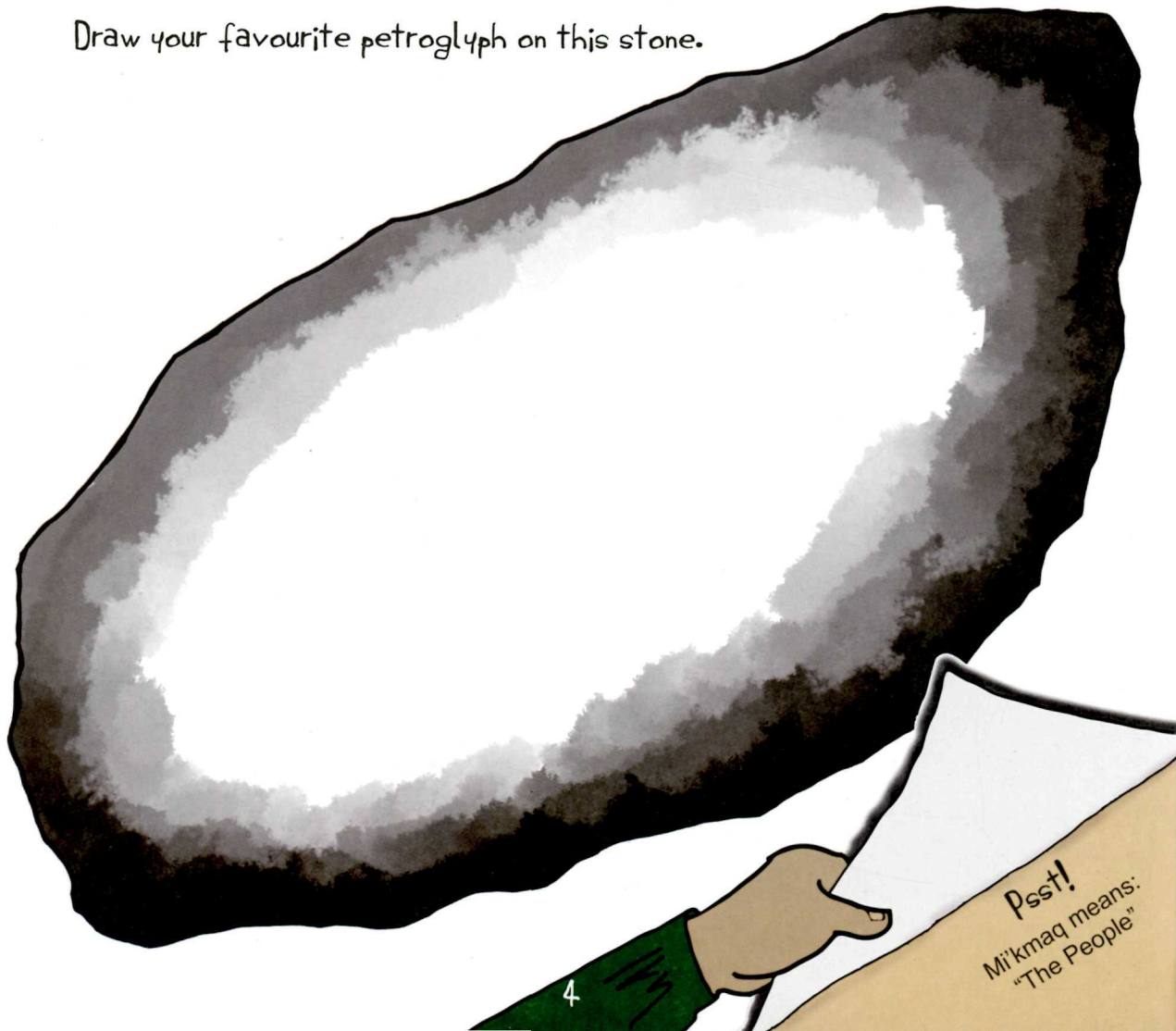


Go to  
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3  
on the map

## THE MI'KMAW DRAWINGS

Can you locate the images carved in stone by the Mi'kmaq of Kejimikujik?  
These are called petroglyphs.

Draw your favourite petroglyph on this stone.



Psst!  
Mi'kmaq means:  
"The People"

# TAKE A LOOK


Go to  
2  
on the map

## “NEW SCOTLAND”

Go check out a very old document called a charter. It is hand written on lamb skin (vellum) in an ancient language called Latin. On it, we read the name of the province Nova Scotia (Latin for New Scotland) for the very first time.

Find the words *Nova Scotia* on the charter.



I found it 

Use the  
tablet to zoom  
in on it.

# SEARCH FOR



Go to  
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on the map

## STITCHES IN TIME

Use your detective skills to find all of the images below in Fort Anne's Heritage Tapestry.



The tapestry measures 5.5 metres (18 feet) across and 2.5 metres (8 feet) high. It has over 3,000,000 stitches and 95 shades of wool.

# MAKE BELIEVE



## DO YOU LIKE TO DRESS UP?

Try on the different costumes. Pick your favourite and strike a pose for the camera.



An Acadian!

4



A British soldier!

6



A French soldier!

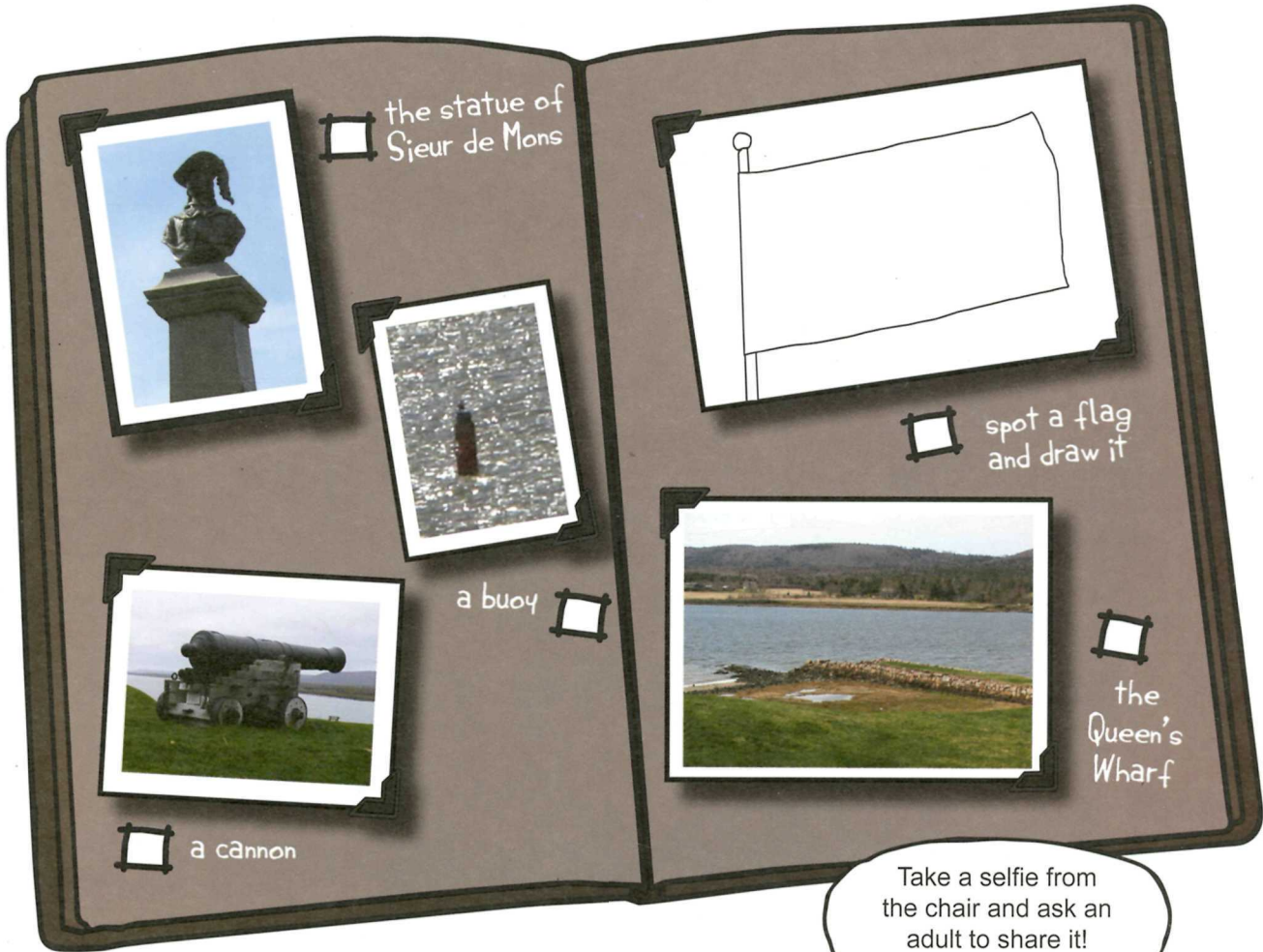
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# TAKE IT EASY

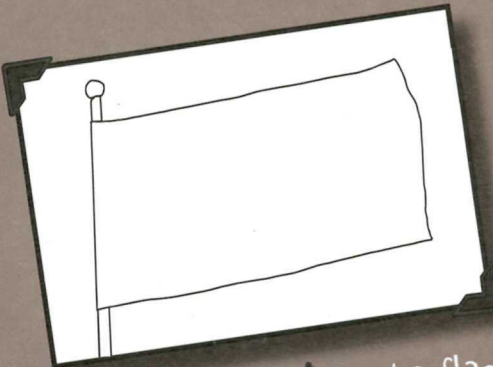


## SHARE THE CHAIR

There are two sets of red chairs on the grounds of Fort Anne. Locate one of these, or both if you wish. While you are seated, can you locate the following?



the statue of  
Sieur de Mons



spot a flag  
and draw it



a cannon



a buoy



the  
Queen's  
Wharf

Take a selfie from the chair and ask an adult to share it! #Sharethechair

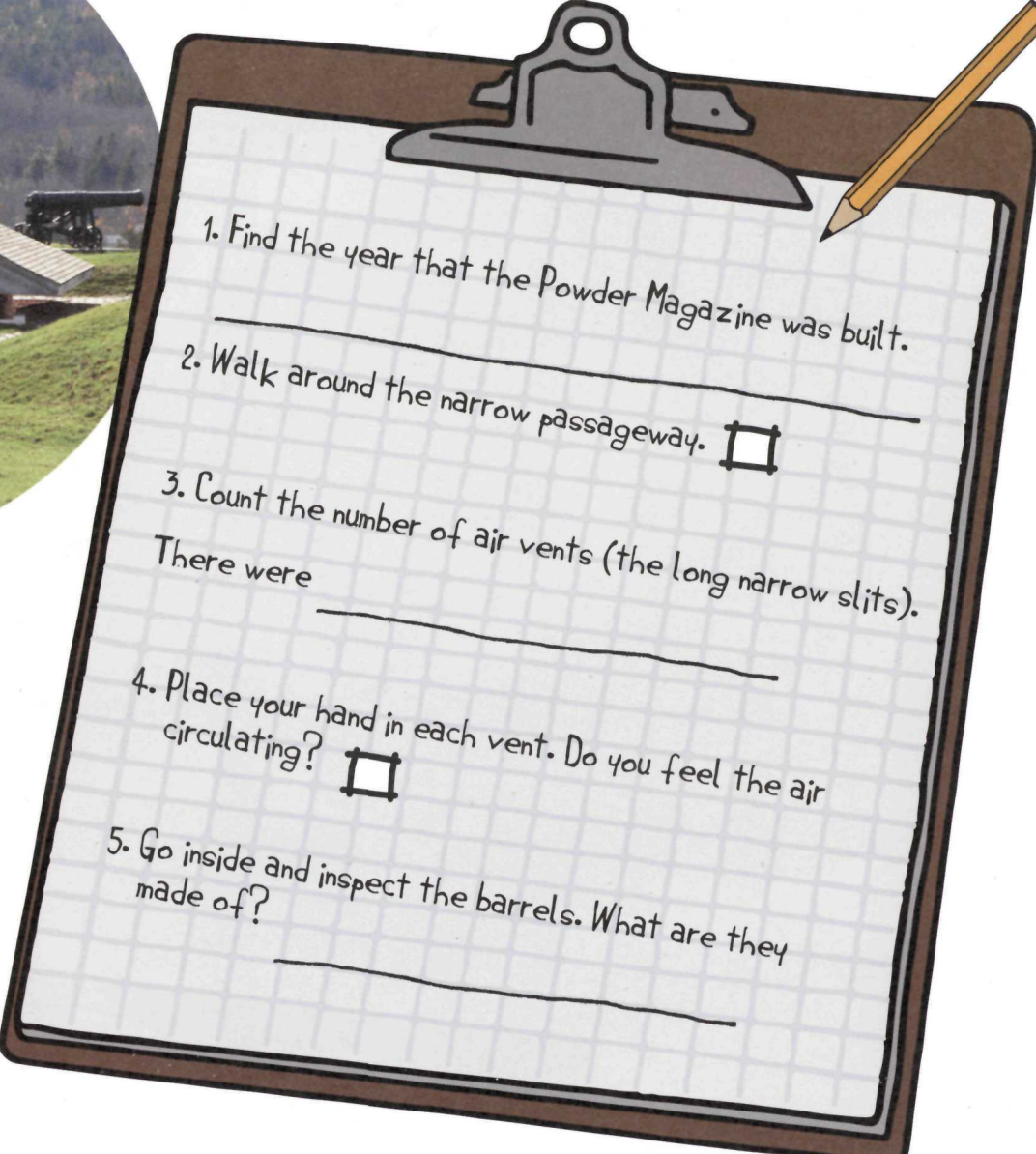
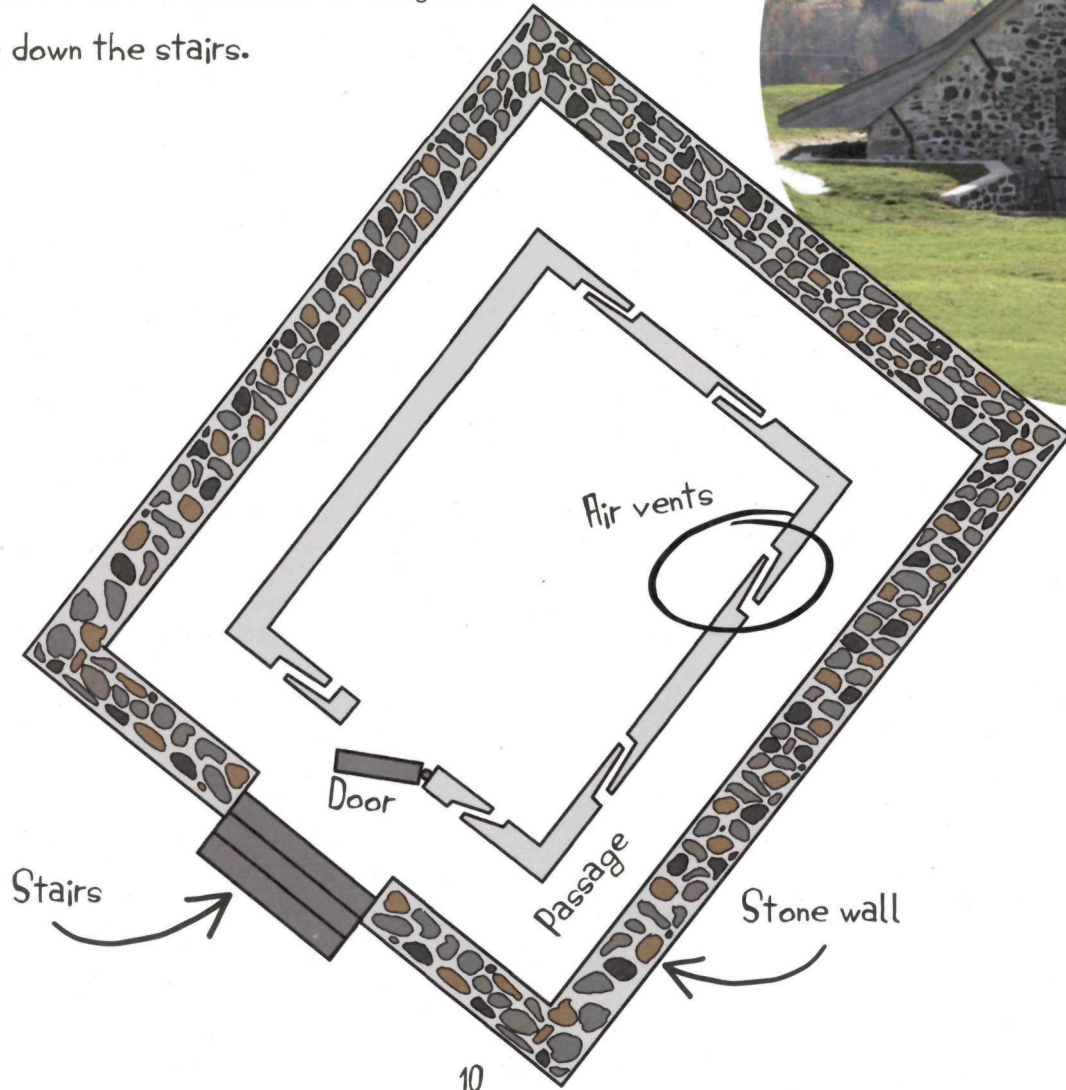
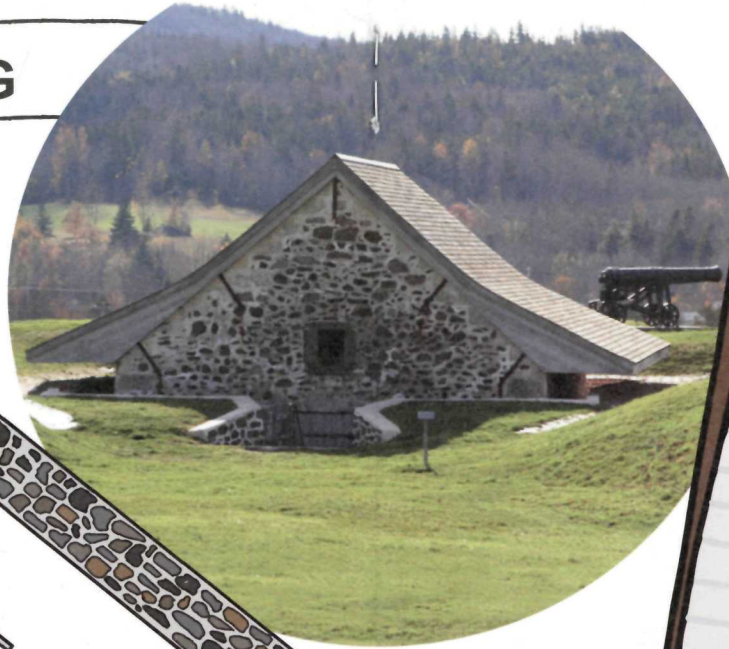
# CHECK IT OUT

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on the map

## EXPLORE THE OLDEST BUILDING

Your task is to do an inspection of Fort Anne's powder magazine. It was built to store the gun powder for the fort's cannons and muskets. The stones used to construct it were brought over from France.

Walk down the stairs.



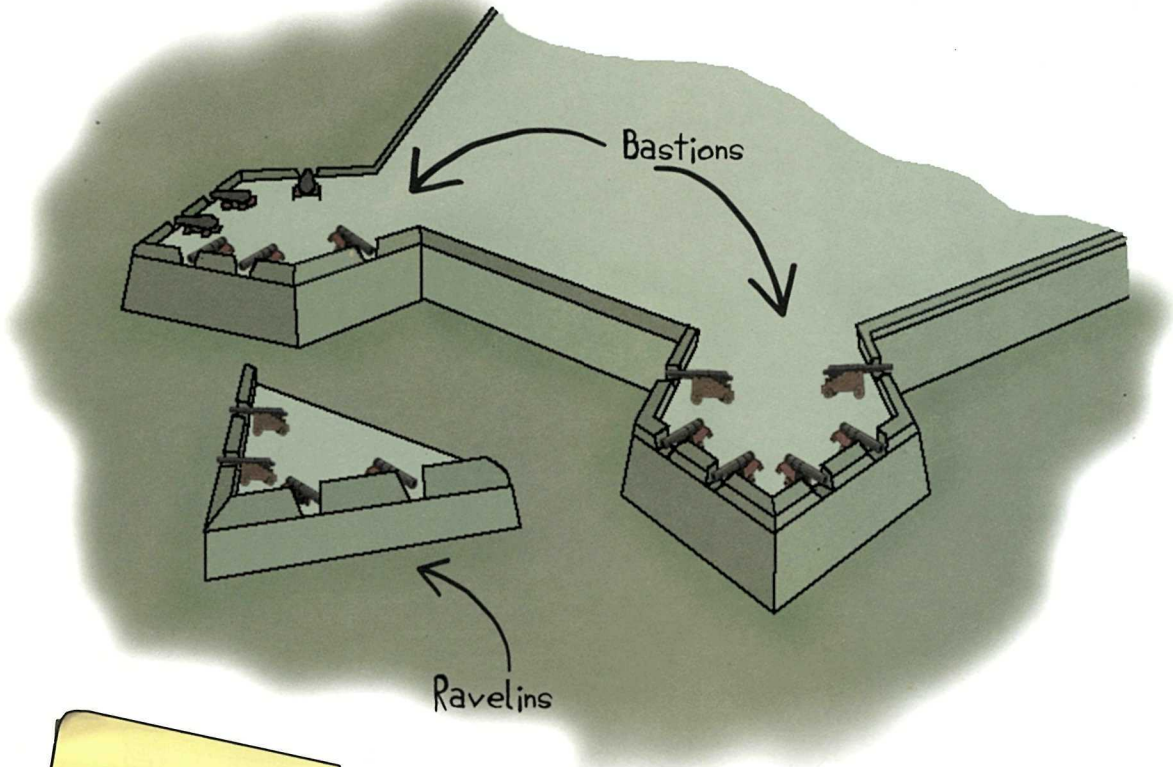
1. Find the year that the Powder Magazine was built.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Walk around the narrow passageway.
3. Count the number of air vents (the long narrow slits).  
There were \_\_\_\_\_
4. Place your hand in each vent. Do you feel the air circulating?
5. Go inside and inspect the barrels. What are they made of?  
\_\_\_\_\_

# IMAGINE

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on the map


## COULD YOU CAPTURE THE FORT?

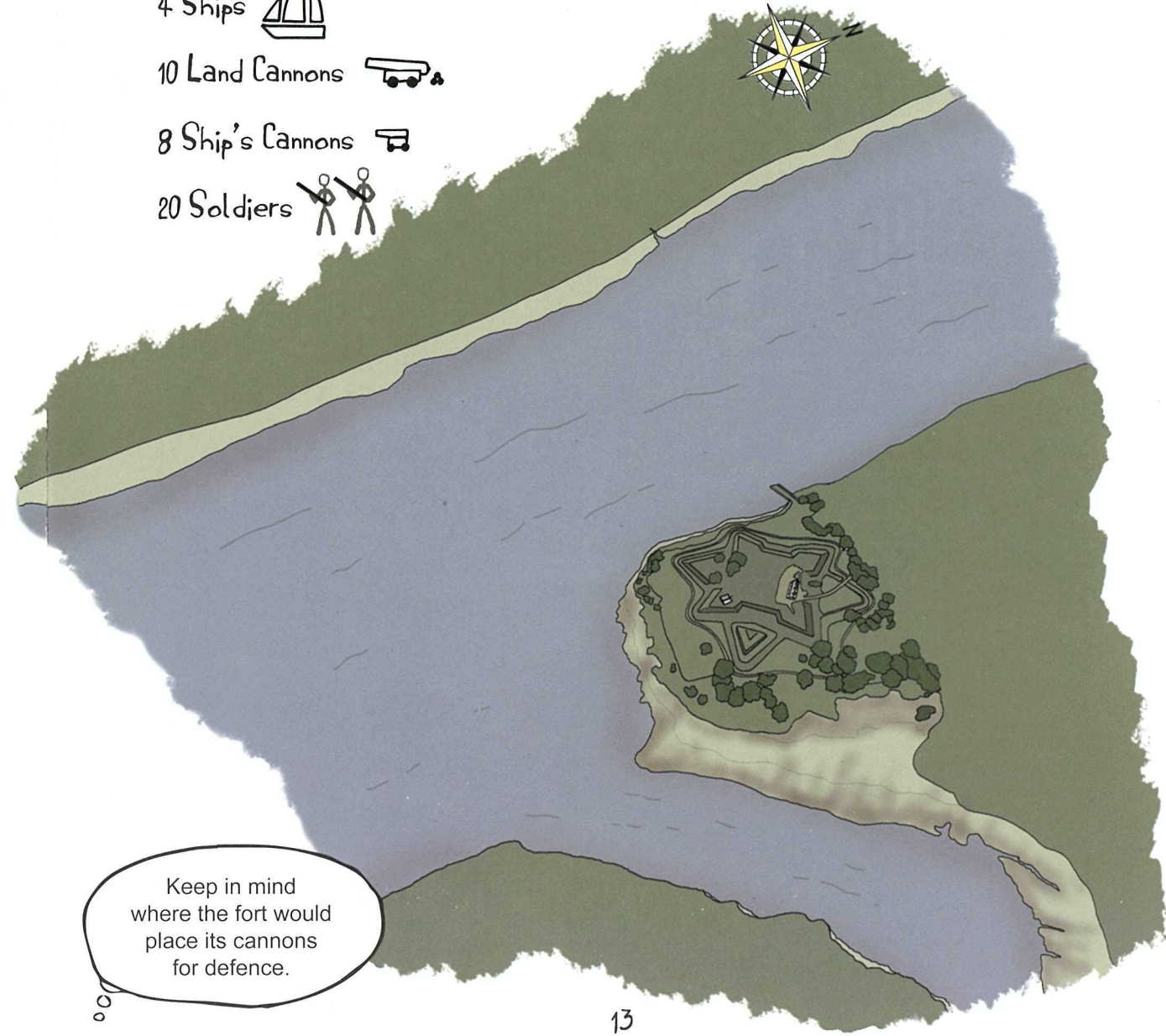
Fort Anne has 4 bastions and 3 ravelins giving it the shape of a star. Bastions and ravelins help you see an enemy and protect the fort from any direction.



The fort you see today is a Vauban style Fort and the 5th that was built here.

Make your plan to capture the fort by drawing these in the best spots on the map.

- 4 Ships 
- 10 Land Cannons 
- 8 Ship's Cannons 
- 20 Soldiers 



Keep in mind where the fort would place its cannons for defence.

# TRY IT OUT !!

Go to  
10  
on the map

## GO DOWN IF YOU DARE

Are you brave enough to go down to the Black Hole? The Black Hole was the prison at Fort Anne where the British kept enemies or troops who did not follow orders.

Pretend you are a prisoner and go down to the Black Hole for 5 minutes. Dare the others in your group to do the same.

Write down three words to  
describe how it felt:

Imagine spending  
your summer vacation  
down there!

# GO INVESTIGATE



Go to  
11  
on the map

## FIRST TOUR GUIDE

Hi! I'm Andrew Gilmore. I was a soldier at Fort Anne from 1831 until 1854 when the fort was no longer used as a military site. I then built a small shoe repair shop. When people came to visit the site, I would show them around. This is how I became Fort Anne's first tour guide.

Find my headstone and draw the symbol you see or copy what's written.



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# CREATE YOUR OWN



## POET IN TRAINING

For each letter, write a word inspired by your surroundings.



# CAN YOU HELP US OUT ???

Way to go Xplorer! Now be an Xplorer Xtraordinaire by giving this page with your comments to a Parks Canada employee...

...and don't forget to ask for your reward!

I am an **XPLORER XTRAORDINAIRE** and I will respect nature and be curious about history.

1- I thought this booklet was: (Circle your answer.)



SUPER FUN



KINDA FUN



BORING

2- My three favourite activities were on pages \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

3- I am \_\_\_\_\_ years old.

4- Three words to describe my Xplorers day:

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# MY FAVOURITE THINGS

What I liked the most during my visit at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write or draw below) (Parks Canada location)



During my visit, my favourite place was:





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PARKS CANADA

[Redacted Name]

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\_\_\_\_\_ date

\_\_\_\_\_ Andrew Gilmore  
staff



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# KEEP XPLORING!

Xplore more places  
and collect your rewards!



## There's more to Xplore nearby

- Kejimikujik National Park and National Historic Site
- Carleton Martello Tower National Historic Site
- Port-Royal National Historic Site
- Fort Beauséjour—Fort Cumberland National Historic Site
- Grand-Pré National Historic Site
- Halifax Citadel National Historic Site

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