



**HISTORIAL**  
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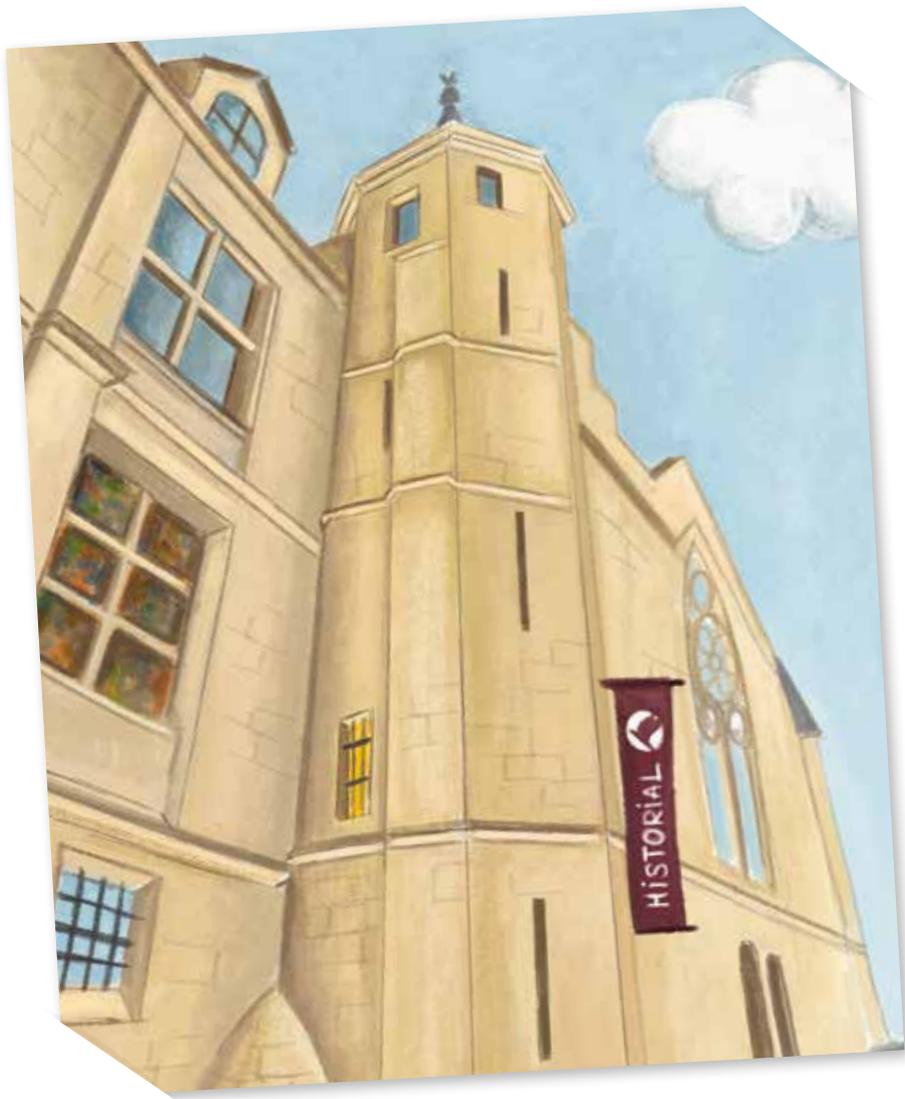


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# DISCOVERY BOOKLET

## For Kids





*You have just entered the Archbishop's Palace. The building in which you are sheltered used to be the Great Hall of Authority, since destroyed. The Hall was located in the Courtyard you can see through the windows of the reception area. It is here that the outcome of the trial was pronounced.*

**Welcome to the Joan of Arc Historial!**

*You are about to discover the historical truth about Joan of Arc by conducting an actual investigation!*



*During your visit you will be able to take pictures without a flash. However, you cannot film videos in the Historial.*

**D**id you know that Joan of Arc had two trials?

Yes, indeed! A trial condemning her to burn at the stake, and a second to clear her name, referred to as the rehabilitation trial!

*Your guide will be Jean II Juvenal des Ursins, Archbishop of Reims who presided over the rehabilitation trial.*

*He questioned 128 witnesses; you will meet them during your visit.*

#### THE HISTORIAL WORDS

- › **The Archbishop's Palace:** before becoming an Historial, it was a palace where the Archbishop of Rouen resided.
- › **Archbishop:** Member of the Roman Catholic clergy, a senior bishop in charge of an archdiocese.
- › **Trial:** a conflict submitted to a judge for his legal decision.

# 1. The Romanesque crypt

You are now in a Romanesque crypt of the 12<sup>th</sup> century!



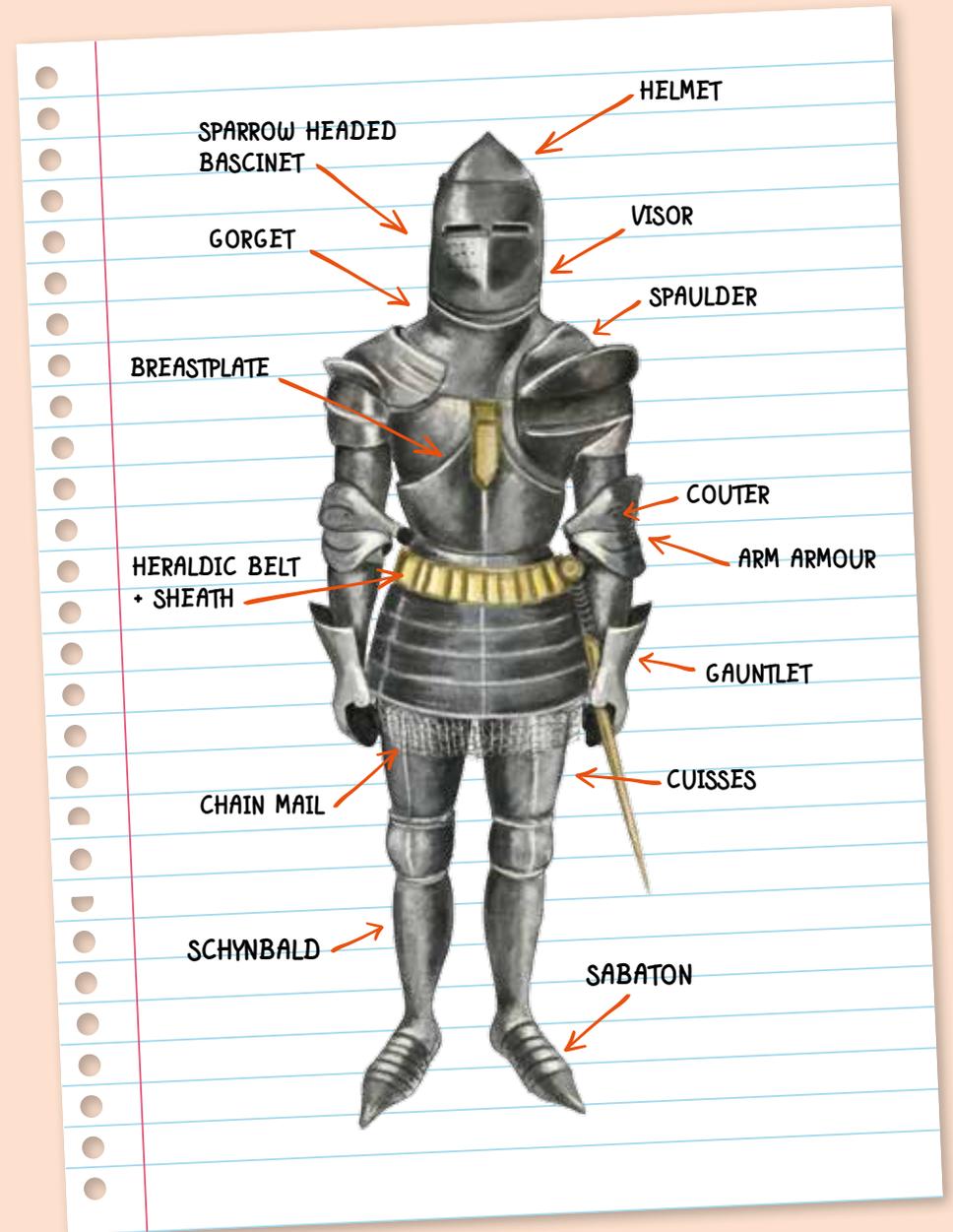
**Romanesque art**  
Architectural style from early Middle Ages starting from 950 AD. You can see its distinctive Roman arches.

## THE HISTORIAL WORDS

- > **Century:** 100 years counted from the beginning of the Christian era.
- > **Heir Apparent:** title held by the successor of the King of France.
- > **Burgundians:** supporters of the Duke of Burgundy.
- > **Armagnacs:** supporters of Charles VII.



Look closely, a cannon is concealed that dates from the days of Joan of Arc! It even has a name! What is it called? Can you find it?

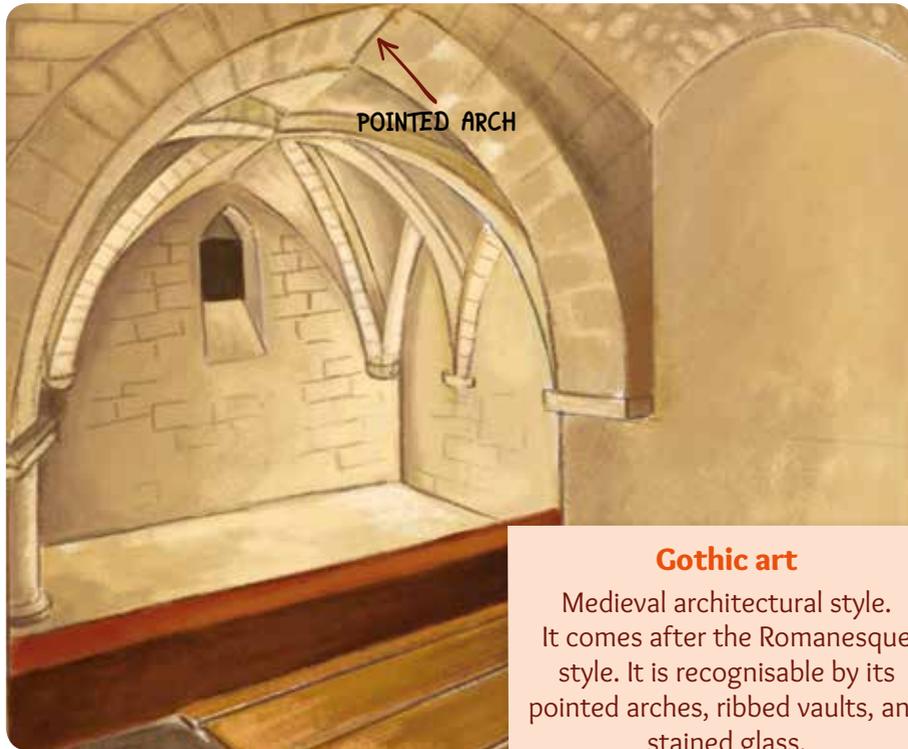


## KEY DATES

**1337-1453:** The Hundred Years War. It lasted 116 years between France and England.

## 2. The Gothic crypt

**Another crypt... Yes but this one is different!**  
**How? Look carefully at the arches above you. These date from the 13<sup>th</sup> century.**



### Gothic art

Medieval architectural style. It comes after the Romanesque style. It is recognisable by its pointed arches, ribbed vaults, and stained glass.

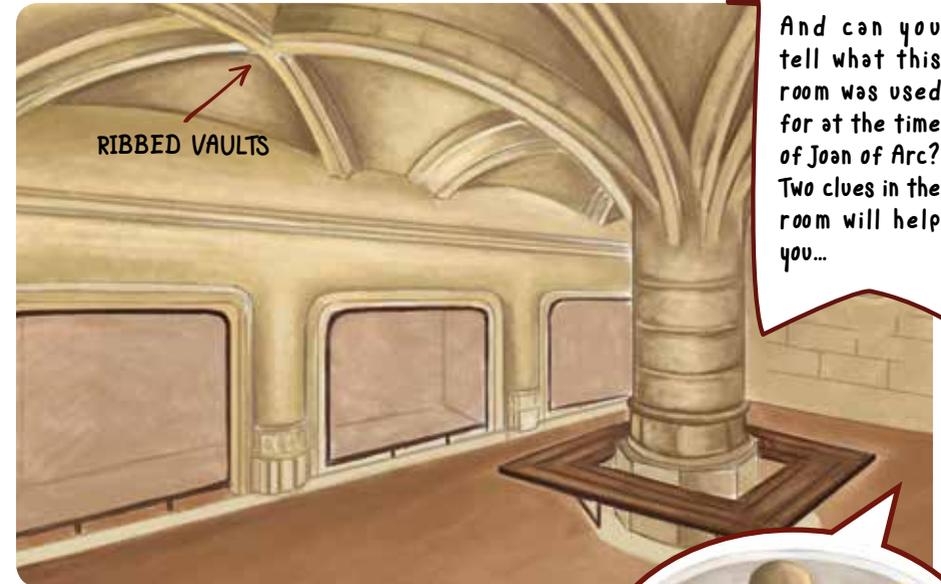
### KEY DATES

**1412:** birth of Joan of Arc in Domremy, Lorraine. As a child, Joan often to church and helped with the chores at home.

**1425:** Joan of Arc heard "her voices" for the first time while she was keeping animals in the fields. These voices give her a mission, to seek the Heir Apparent, Charles VII, have him crowned and deliver Orleans.

## 3. The former kitchens

**You are now in a room dating from 15<sup>th</sup> century palace! This is the century of Joan of Arc! Can you recognise the architecture? Is it Romanesque or Gothic?**



And can you tell what this room was used for at the time of Joan of Arc? Two clues in the room will help you...

### THE HISTORICAL WORDS

> **Prophetess:** a woman who speaks for God, revealing his will by divine inspiration.



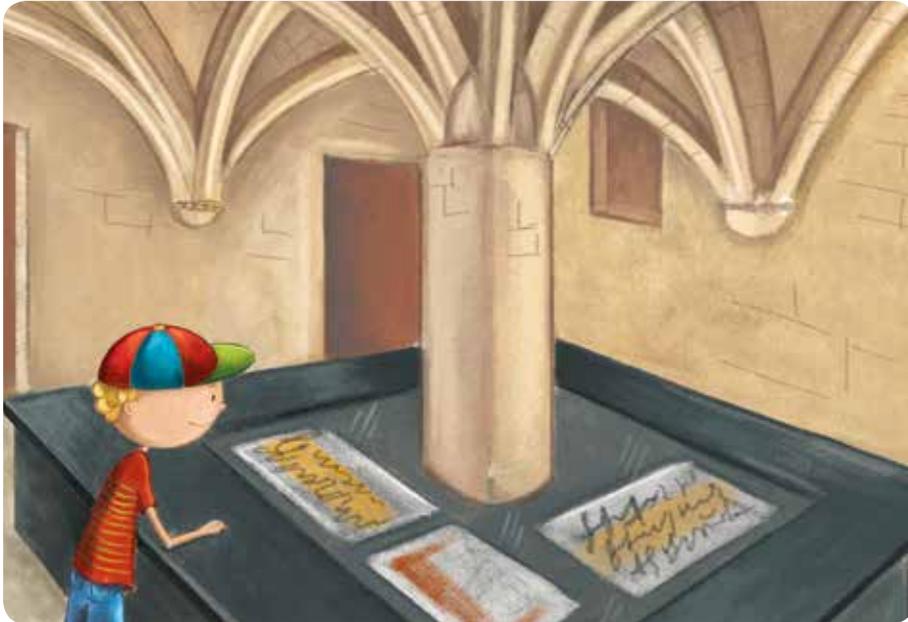
### KEY DATES

**1428:** Joan of Arc was 17 when she decided to leave home to go to Vaucouleurs and meet Robert de Beaudricourt.

**February 1429:** After several months of negotiations Robert de Beaudricourt accepts to present Joan to the Heir Apparent in Chinon.

## 4. The former office

It was in this room in the 15<sup>th</sup> century where the table service was prepared.



### THE HISTORIAL WORDS

- › **Siege:** military action of capturing a fortified site by cutting off its outside support.
- › **Spiral staircase:** a staircase constructed around a central column.

Let's go, 80 steps up to the top of the Estouteville 15<sup>th</sup> century staircase!

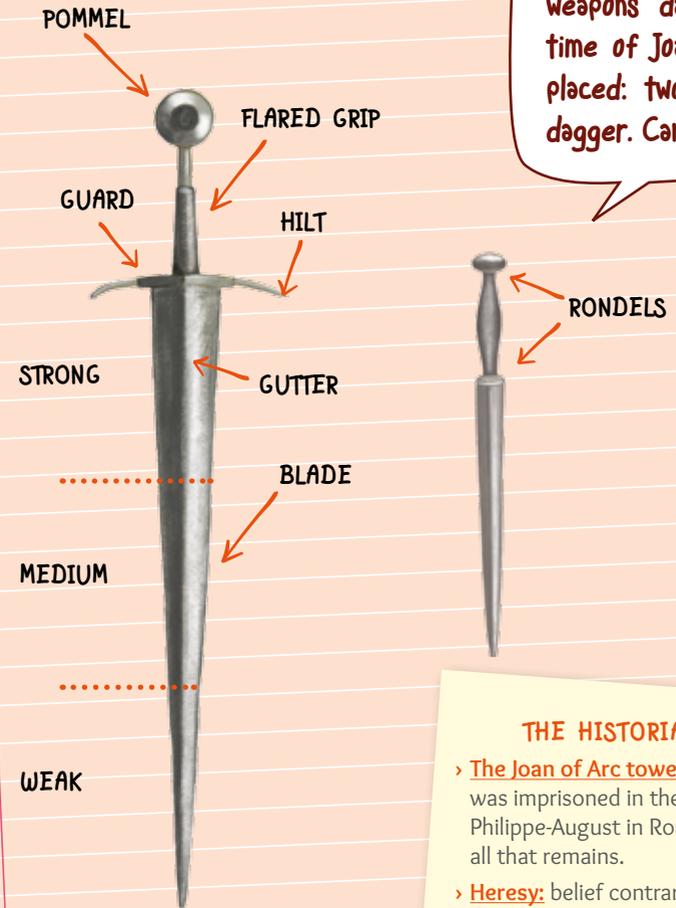


### KEY DATES

- 8 May 1429:** Joan of Arc frees Orleans after several days of battle. The first part of her mission was thus accomplished.
- 17 July 1429:** Charles VII was crowned King of France in Reims, the 2nd part of Joan's mission is accomplished.
- 23 May 1430:** While defending the town of Compiègne, Joan of Arc fell from her horse and was taken prisoner.

## 5. The large attic

In the large attic three weapons dating from the time of Joan of Arc were placed: two swords and a dagger. Can you find them?



### THE HISTORIAL WORDS

- › **The Joan of Arc tower:** Joan of Arc was imprisoned in the castle built by Philippe-August in Rouen. This tower is all that remains.
- › **Heresy:** belief contrary to the orthodox or accepted doctrine of a religion.

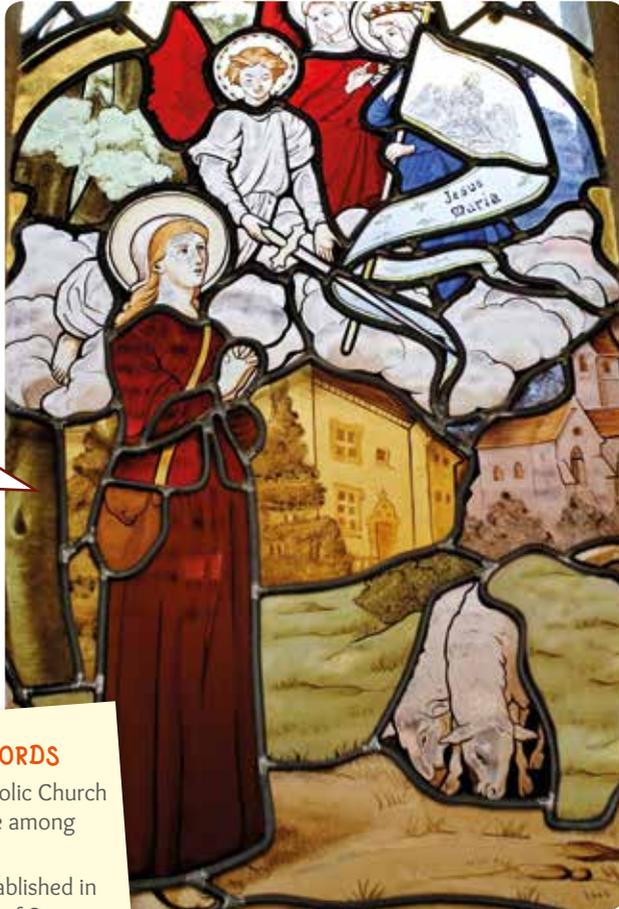
### KEY DATES

- 24 December 1430:** Joan of Arc was moved to the Rouen prison for trial.
- February 1431 to May 1431:** Trial of Joan of Arc where she is accused of wearing men's clothing.
- 30 May 1431:** Joan of Arc was burned alive at the Place du Vieux Marché in Rouen.

## 6. The small attic

Now, go up to the watchtower, you can discover a spectacular view of Rouen! You can even see the tower of Joan of Arc!

Look carefully at this stained glass window: we erased a detail. Can you find which?



### THE HISTORICAL WORDS

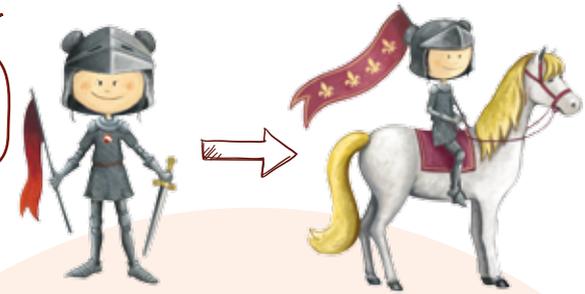
- > **Canonise:** when the Catholic Church decides to place someone among the canon of saints.
- > **Joan of Arc Festivals:** established in 1920 by the French Head of State, in order to celebrate the memory of Joan of Arc throughout France.

### KEY DATES

- 1456:** Joan of Arc's rehabilitation trial. In the end, she was exonerated.
- 1920:** Joan of Arc was canonised a saint and became a national symbol.

## 7. The Legend room

Help Joan of Arc find her horse!



## 8. The curiosity cabinet



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What is this object? .....

When is it from? .....

Can you describe it in a few words? .....



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## GAMES & QUIZZES

Connect the various stages of Joan of Arc's life with the matching cities...

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Meeting with the King               | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> Orleans     |
| Coronation of the King              | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> Domrémy     |
| Meeting with Robert de Beaudricourt | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> Vaucouleurs |
| Birth of Joan of Arc                | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> Compiègne   |
| Joan of Arc burned at the Stake     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> Reims       |
| Joan of Arc taken prisoner          | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> Rouen       |
| Joan of Arc wounded                 | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> Chinon      |

Find the following words:

Armor • Turret • Sword • Spear • Dagger • Canon • Banner • Battle

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## GAMES & QUIZZES

**In which village was Joan born?**

- Domremy
- Orleans
- Vaucouleurs

**Test your knowledge!**

**What was Joan doing when she heard "The Voices" for the first time?**

- Bathing in the river
- Keeping animals
- Walking in the forest

**What was Joan wearing when she met Charles VII in Chinon?**

- A swimsuit
- Shorts
- Men's clothing

**On what Square in Rouen was Joan burned at the stake?**

- The Place du Vieux Marché
- The Place de la Pucelle
- The Place Saint-Marc



**Can you retrace the journey of Joan of Arc?**

## GAMES & QUIZZES

**Find the errors that have crept into the drawing!**



- Find the six errors game:**
1. The circle at the top of the ark / 1. The circle at the top of the ark / 2.
  2. The number of little columns in the arch opening / 3. Her chain mail / 4. The badge on her chain mail / 5. The grip of her sword / 6. Her right gauntlet.
- Test your knowledge:**
1. a book / b. to children / c. 1903
  2. a puzzle / b. to children and families / c. 1900
  3. a. une boîte de coulommiers b. aux consommateurs / c. XX<sup>ème</sup> siècle
- 3. The large fireplaces and the two sculptured servants.**
- 6. The small attic:**
- The missing detail: a sheep**
- 8. The curiosity cabinet:**
1. a puzzle / b. to children and families / c. 1900
  3. a. une boîte de coulommiers b. aux consommateurs / c. XX<sup>ème</sup> siècle
- Find the six errors game:**
- Square**
- On what Square in Rouen was Joan burned at the stake? > The Vieux-Marché**
- What was Joan wearing when she met Charles VII? > Men's clothing**
- What was Joan doing when she heard "her voices"? > Keeping animals**
- Domremy**
- In which village was Joan born? > Domremy**