

Maeshowe Explorer Quiz

Explore our chambered cairn with this fun, fact-finding mission and uncover clues in the most unexpected places.

Remember to ask a steward if you need any help.



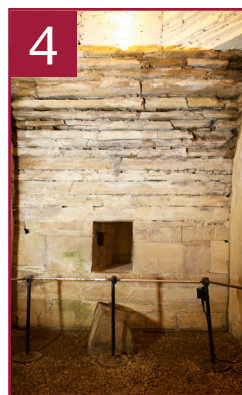
This dog was found in Cuween Chambered Cairn. What do you think its name should be?



On the bus, you pass one standing stone in a field. Listen to the guide, what is the stone called?



What animal often lives on top of Maeshowe?



How many side chambers are there inside Maeshowe?



Large upright stones were put in place to help build the tomb. How many can you count?



What happens in the tomb at the Winter Solstice (sometimes called Midwinter)?

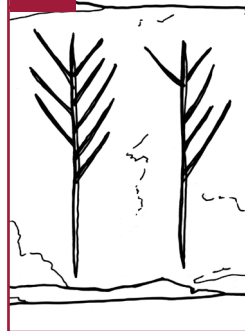


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An old Norse tale tells us about the Vikings breaking into Maeshowe. Why did they do that?

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There are two types of rune in Maeshowe. One is called Futhark, what is the other called?

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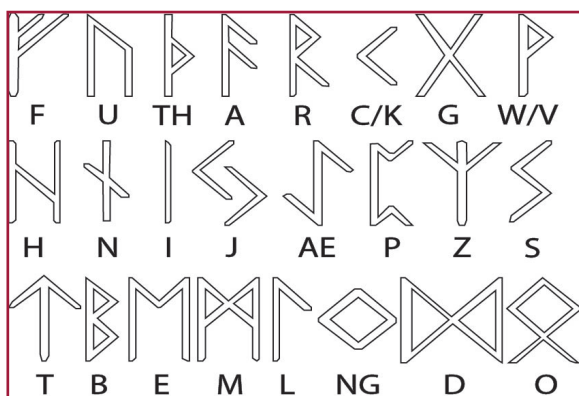


What type of animal was drawn onto the wall by the Norse Vikings?

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On your way out of the tomb, can you find the 5000 year old original door? Tick the box when you see it.



Norse Vikings used an alphabet called Futhark. Can you write your name using these Norse Futhark Runes?

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Well done! Now you can collect your sticker from the Visitor Centre!

Need some help? 1. Look in the Visitor Centre. 2. Listen to the Steward on the bus ride 3. Look for clues or ask the Steward 4 - 10. Look around the inside of the tomb and listen to the tour 11. Do this in the Visitor Centre before your tour begins, on the bus, or after your tour



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