

INVISIBLE (EDINBURGH)



FUN ACTIVITY TRAIL EDINBURGH 





WELCOME TO INVISIBLE (EDINBURGH)

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

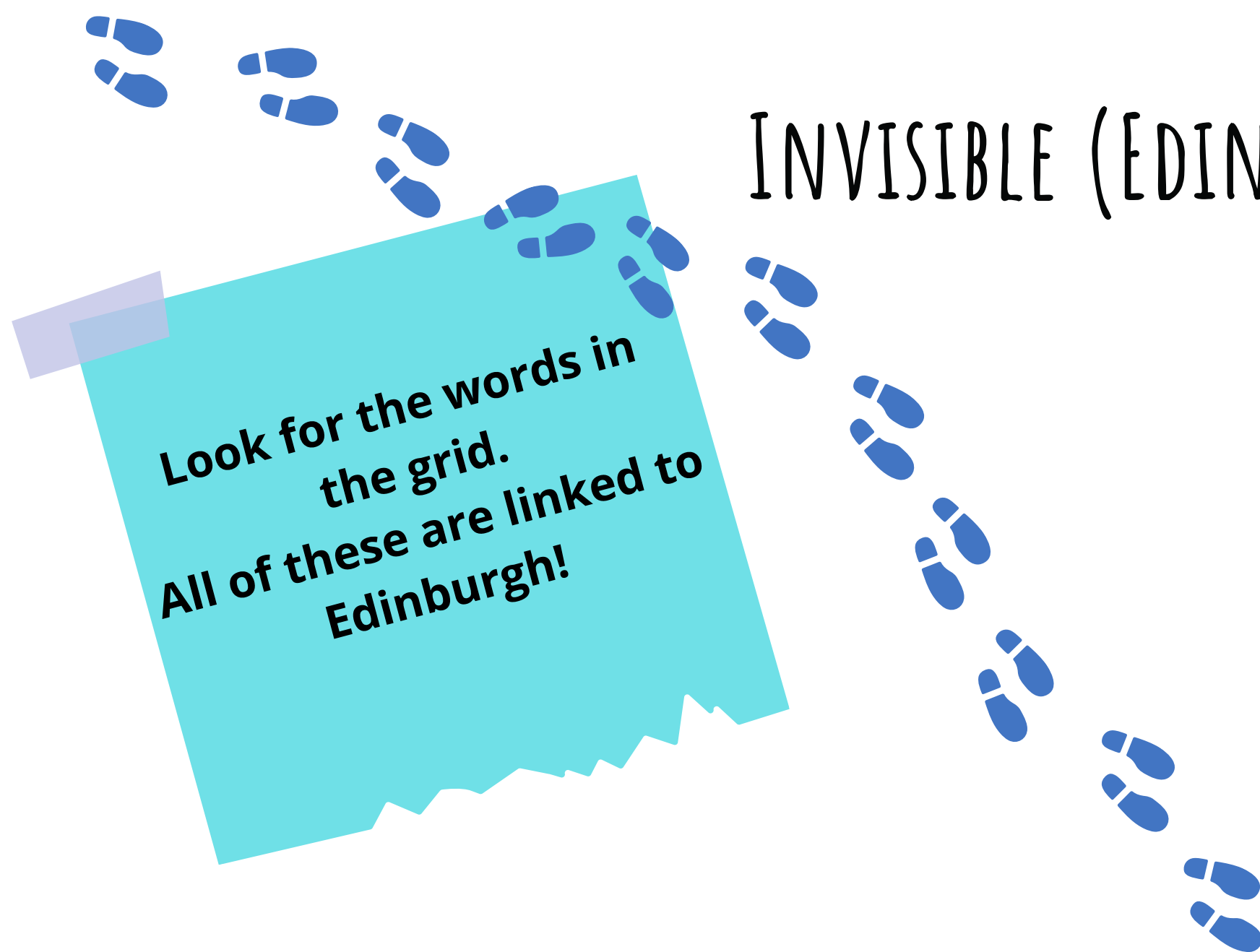
It was put together by the team at **Invisible Cities**. We help support homeless people by training them to become walking tour guides and we offer our tours to the public so they discover the INVISIBLE side of our cities!

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 (Edinburgh) Trail begin!



INVISIBLE (EDINBURGH) WORD SEARCH



Look for the words in the grid.
All of these are linked to Edinburgh!

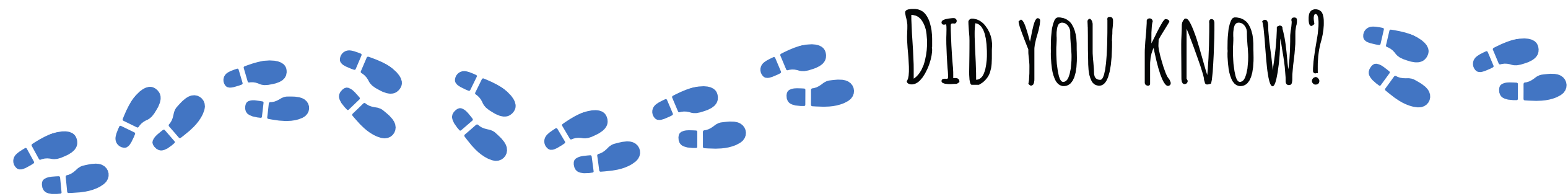
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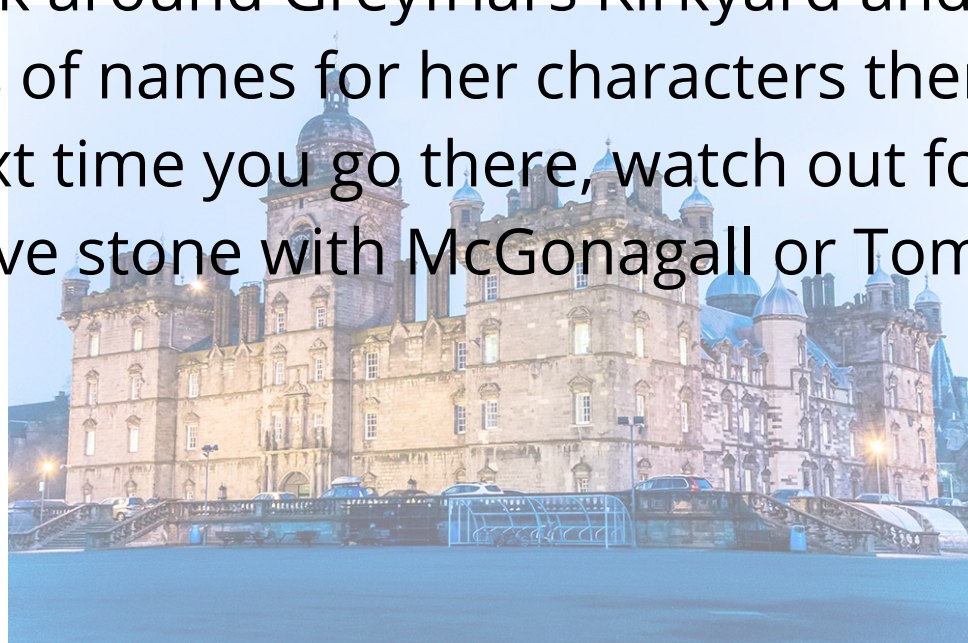
Edinburgh is full of mysteries and untold stories. Here are two examples.

You can also try to find the places mentioned here next time you are walking around Edinburgh!

Edinburgh is the Birth Place of Harry Potter

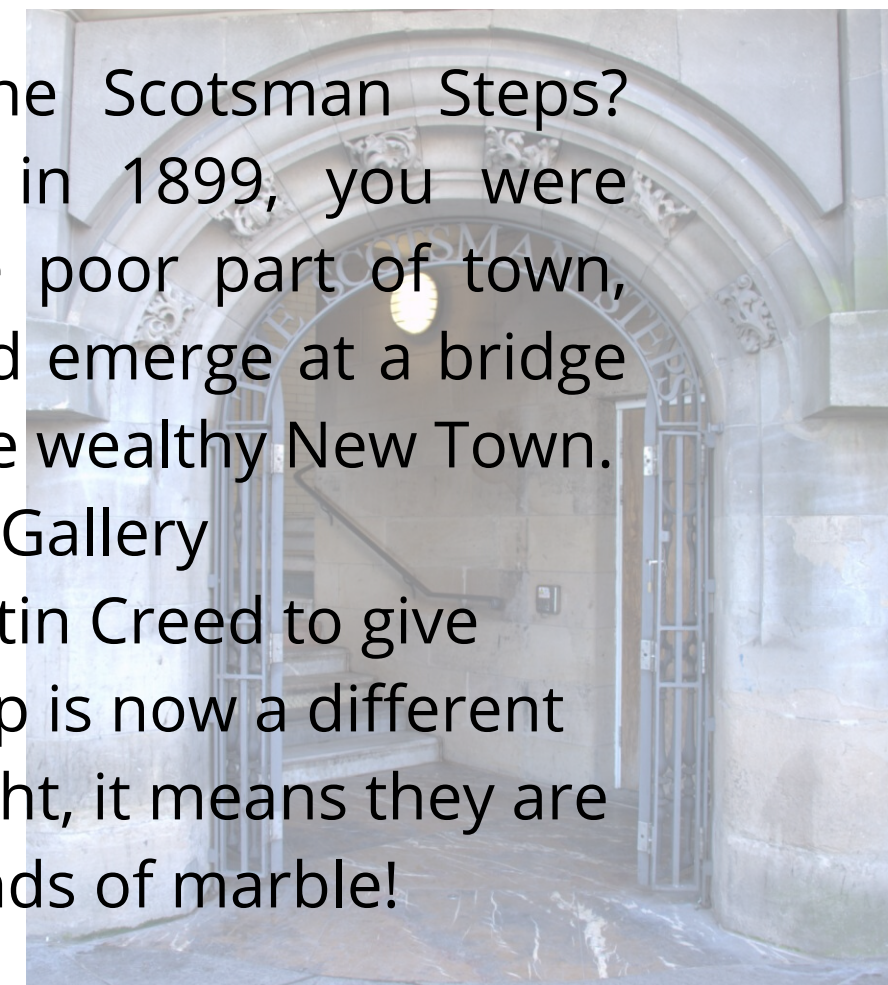
JK Rowling, the famous author of the Harry Potter books is said to have been inspired by George Heriot's School for the description of Hogwarts. Did you know she also used to walk around Greyfriars Kirkyard and found lots of names for her characters there!

Next time you go there, watch out for a grave stone with McGonagall or Tom Riddle.



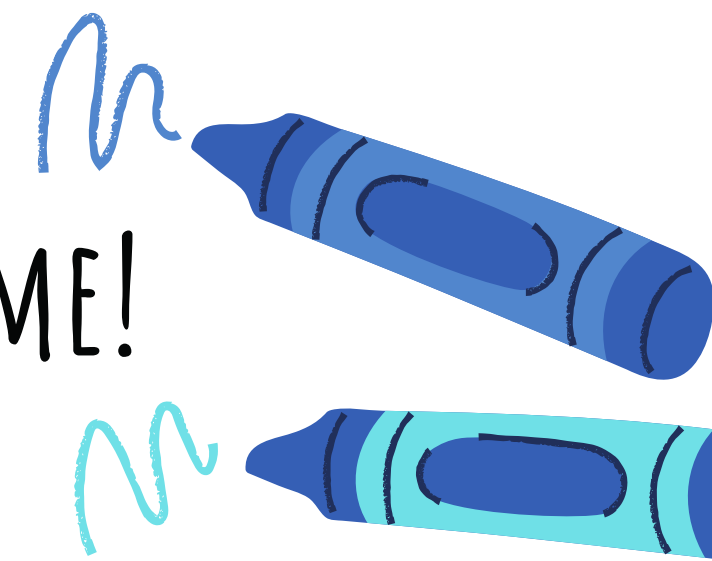
The Scotsman Steps

Have you ever seen the Scotsman Steps? When they were built in 1899, you were entering them from the poor part of town, and 104 steps later you'd emerge at a bridge that took you to the more wealthy New Town. In 2011, The Fruitmarket Gallery commissioned artist Martin Creed to give them a new life. Each step is now a different kind of marble: that is right, it means they are made of 104 different kinds of marble!





COLOUR ME!



Colour Victoria Street!

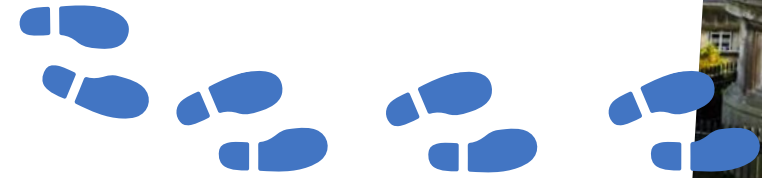
Did you know that Victoria Street is where the Wizard of the West Bow used to live? His real name was Thomas Weir and he had a very public and normal life by day whereas he would practice witchcraft by night.

What do you think his day job was?

EDINBURGH IS OUR COMMUNITY



Edinburgh is also where we all live. Did you know these facts?



There are about **536,000** people living in Edinburgh.

It is the capital of Scotland since the **14th** century.

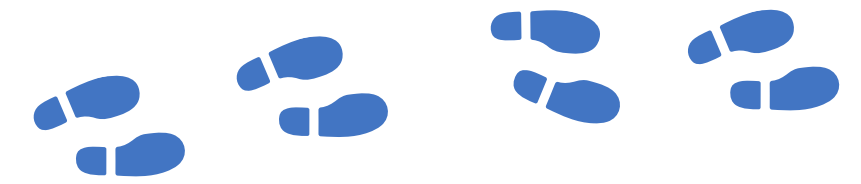
People from many nationalities live in Edinburgh. Can you find the top three (with the most people)?

Here are ways to say **GOOD MORNING/HELLO** in different languages. Can you match the language with its **HELLO?**

SPANISH
POLISH
FRENCH
GERMAN

BONJOUR
GUTEN MORGEN
HOLA
DZIEN DOBRY

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT HOMELESSNESS?



Unfortunately, there are also homeless people in Edinburgh.

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

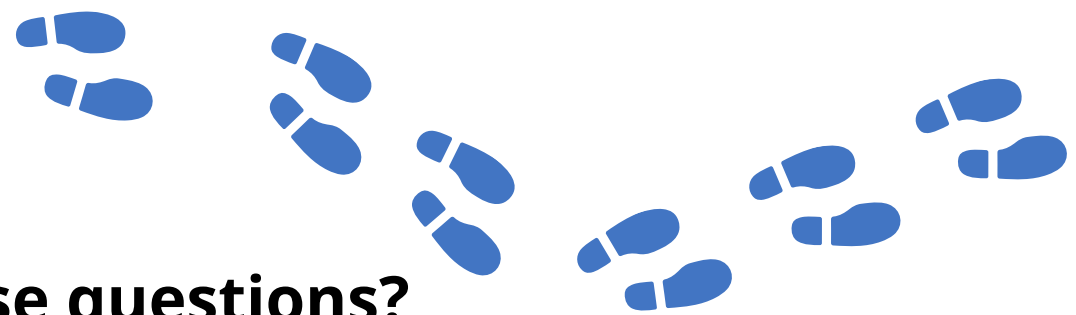
Children cannot become homeless

True

False



THE ROYAL MILE QUIZZ



**Will you know the answers to all these questions?
For each of them, only one proposition is right!**

1

The Tron was the third market on the Royal Mile. It was named after a large weighing beam called a tron.

What sort of things were sold there?

- A- Heavy goods like coal and salt**
- B- Heavy goods like elephants and statues**
- C- Cakes and fizzy drinks**

2

In the courtyard of the City Chambers is a statue of Alexander the Great and his horse.

What was the horse called?

- A- Bodacious**
- B- Boudicca**
- C- Bucephalus**

3

There are over 100 closes on the Royal Mile. These closes began as:

- A- Walled gardens**
- B- Adventure playgrounds**
- C- Dancing enclosures**

4

There has been a church at St Giles since:

- A- 874 AD**
- B- 874 BC**
- C- 1960**



QUIZZ CONTINUES...

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How long is the Royal Mile?

- A- 1 Mile
- B-10 Miles
- C- 15 Miles

6

The Lawnmarket was one of the Royal Mile's markets. What was sold there?

- A- Lawn mowers
- B- Lawn fertilisers
- C- Country produce and goods

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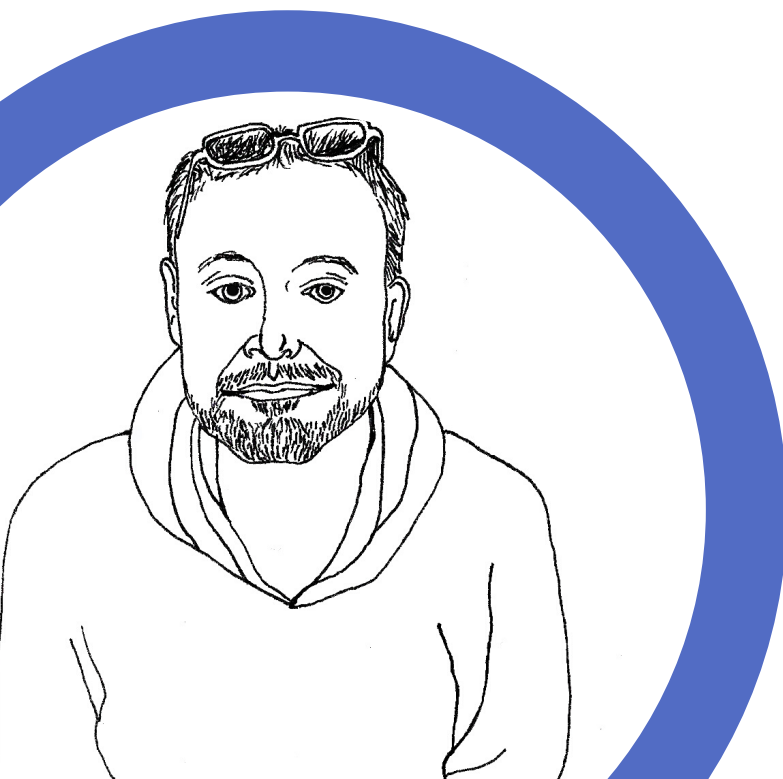
The height of the Tollbooth Kirk is:

- A-37m
- B-73m
- C- 10 Giraffes

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On top of the Mercat Cross is the animal which symbolises Scotland. What is it?

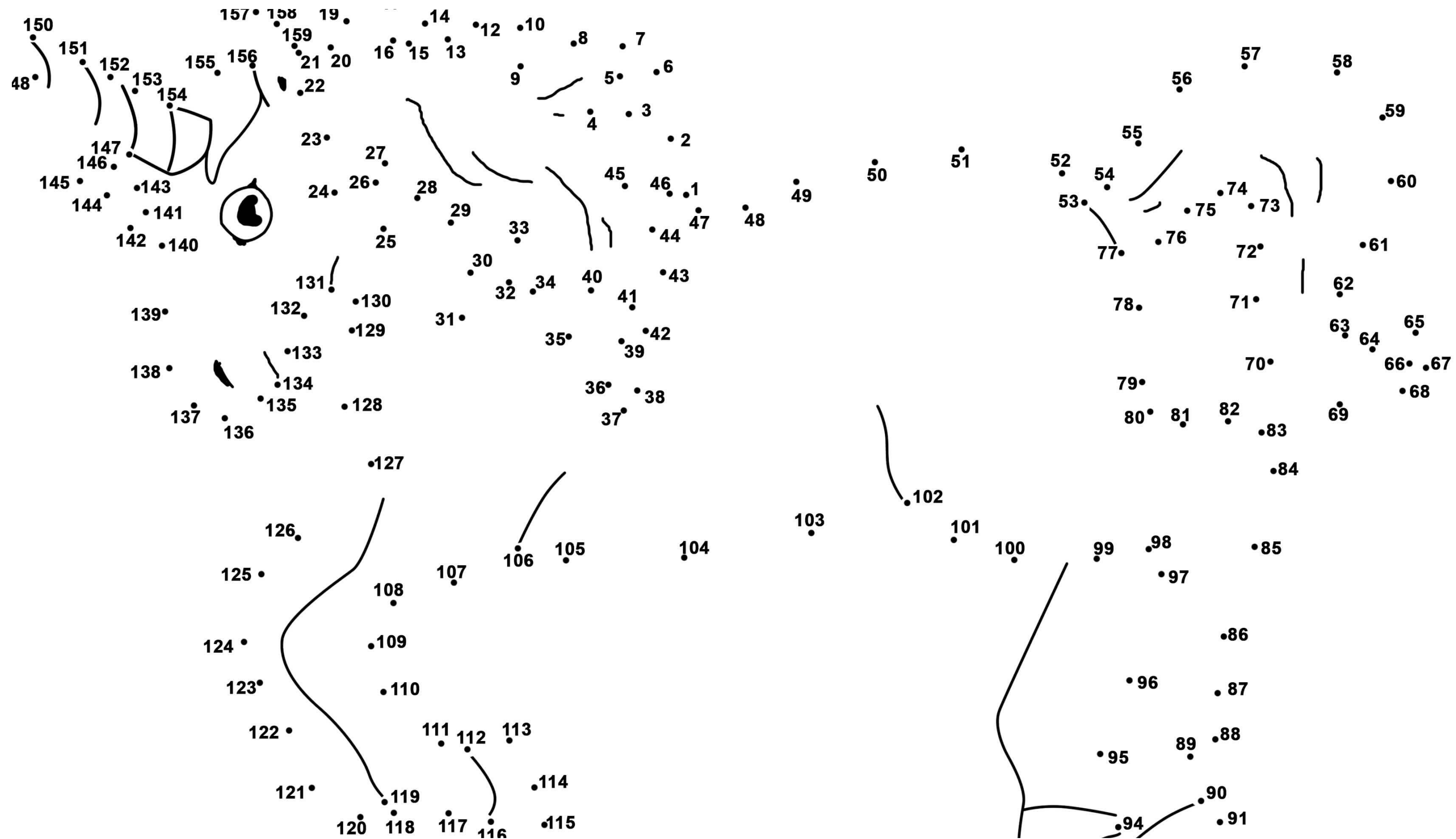
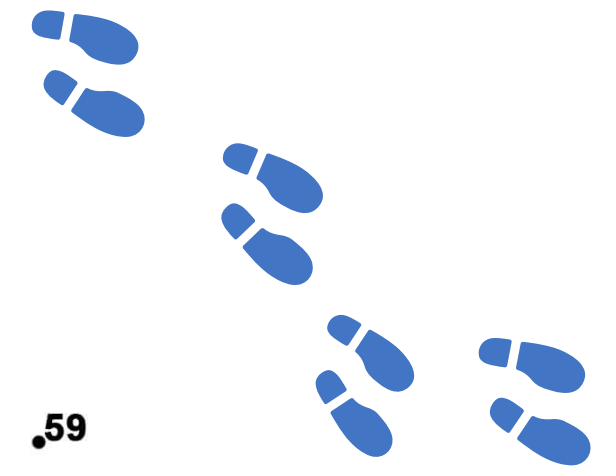
- A- A haggis
- B- A unicorn
- C- A mammoth



This quiz was put together by our guide Angus as he is our Royal Mile expert! He usually runs a tour of the **Royal Mile: from Huts to High Rises**

All answers are available in the Parents' Section

JOIN THE DOTS TO REVEAL THE SYMBOL OF SCOTLAND!



PARENTS' SECTION

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US!

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. Remember that you can book our walking tours online, for any day, any time!

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 **Glasgow**, **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 leave a review about this Fun Trail online too!

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

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ALL ANSWERS REVEALED!

COLOUR ME - PAGE 5

Commander of the Edinburgh Town Guard

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Top 3 nationalities are: Polish, Irish and Chinese

Spanish = Hola Polish = Dzień Dobry French = Bonjour German = Guten Morgen

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT HOMELESSNESS - PAGE 7

False - Being homeless 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)

ROYAL MILE QUIZZ - PAGE 8 & 9

1= A 2= C 3= A 4= A 5= A 6= C 7= B 8= B

