

Past Times

A trail of ancient board games and hobbies

Answer Sheet

This is a piece of stone used to make a gaming board to play **Nine Men's Morris**.

What type of stone is it?

Shale

In this case there is the **Ballinderry Gaming Board** which was used to play a **Viking war game**.

What was this game called?

H n e f a t a f l

In this case there is also a **Viking sword**.
Who made this sword?

Using the Viking Runic Alphabet, write the name of the person who made the blade.



Here, there are 6 gaming pieces. Circle the two gaming pieces that look the same.



These gaming pieces are from **Lough Swedy, Co. Westmeath**.

How many gaming pieces can you see?

20

Can you name two materials used to make these gaming pieces?

Wood, bone, walrus ivory, jet and stone

Look for a **stone gaming board**.

What game do you think this was used to play?

Nine Men's Morris

On the second shelf, to the right-hand side, there are **two long pieces of bone from a horse**.

What were these objects used for?

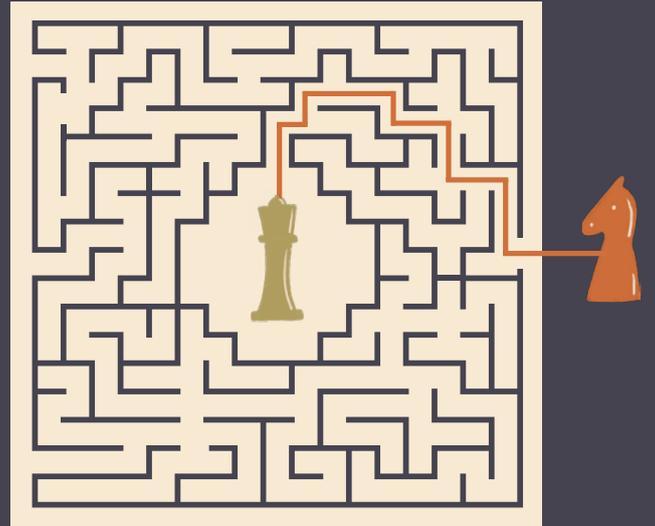
Ice Skates

This **chess piece** is made out of **ivory**, which comes from the **tusks of an elephant**.

Can you find another artefact close by that is also made out of ivory?

Kavanagh Charter Horn

Circle the toys in this case found in Viking Dublin.



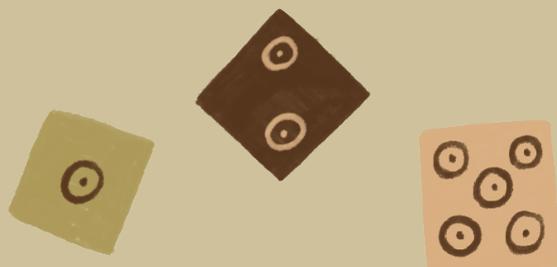
Which piece made it to the centre of the maze?

Knight

In this case, there are **three small dice** made from **antler**.

What do all the sides of the dice here add up to?

$$1 + 2 + 5 = 8$$



Can you name two musical instruments that were played at this time?

1 Flute

2 Harp

What type of bone from a pig was used to make these?

Pig Foot Bones