

Using Past Simple Tense (William the Conqueror)

1 Fill in the blanks with a suitable verb in the *Past Simple Tense*.

Norman Castles

William the Conqueror (1) to build castles because many Anglo-Saxon people (2) to rebel against the king. He (3) his soldiers to construct defenses along the coast and across the countryside in order to protect him and his followers from the angry locals. They (4) the first castles with stone and wood, as these building resources (5) easy to find in those forest areas.

There (6) two main parts to the castle: the *motte*, which was an earth mound where a small lookout fort was situated; the other part was called a *bailey*. Livestock, horses and soldiers' families often (7) in this enclosure.

Early castles

