



A Treasure Hunt in Boulogne-sur-Gesse !

For Kids Aged 8 to 12

*Play the apprentice provost and
discover Boulogne-sur-Gesse !*



Ready for the challenge?
Let's get started!



YOUNG PROVOST, WELCOME

Blessed one! By order of
Seneschal Eustache de
Beaumarchais, you are called to
uncover the legacy of the
ancient bastide !

In the ruler's absence, the
Provost stands in his stead,
upholding the noble's authority
over Boulogne-sur-Gesse.

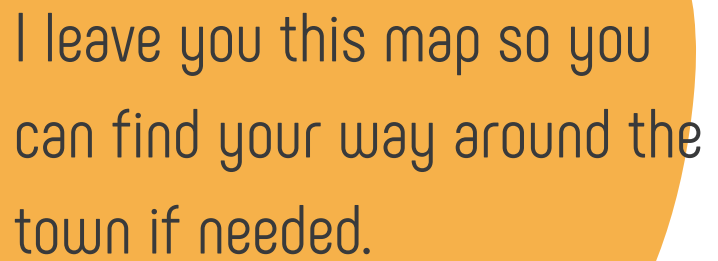


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Great is your duty, yet, fret not. If you show cleverness and
curiosity, you shall piece together the story of the town.

Make haste, your adventure awaits!





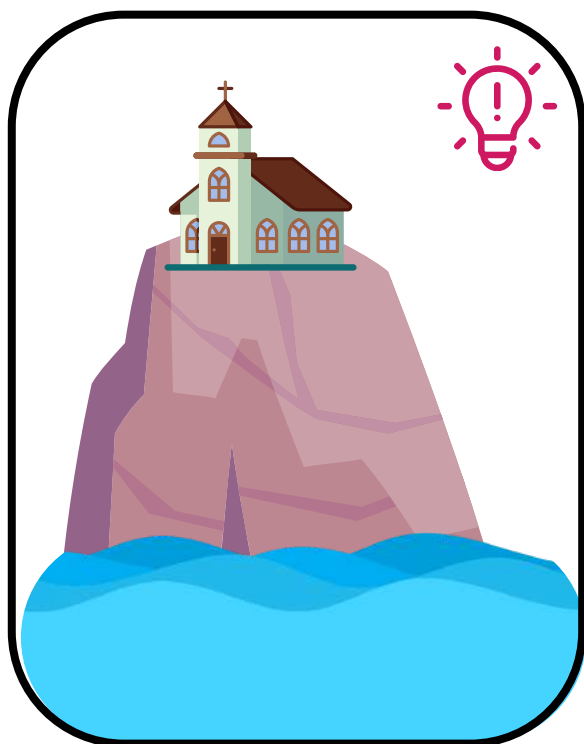
The Hall's Town-Hall

A Drop of Wisdom:

Coat of Arms:

It is a collection of symbols that tells the story of a family, a people, or a town. And behold ! Boulogne is doubly blessed... for it holds not one, but two coats of arms !

If you stand before the Tourist Office, you will see one of the town's two coats of arms, carved upon the Hall's town-Hall.
Can you discern the three emblems depicted upon it ?



1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

 = You are granted a clue !



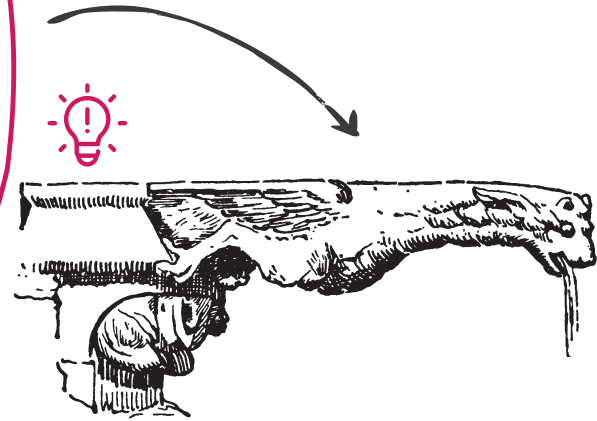
Church of "Notre Dame de l'Assomption"

Journey to the church of "Notre-Dame de l'Assomption".

Can you see the two gargoyles leaping into the void?

Do you know what they're used for?

It's something that looks like this...



A Drop of Wisdom:

In days of old, gargoyles carried rainwater from the rooftops. Yet they were more than simple drains : they were meant to adorn the building as well ! Today, they go by a different name. Do you know it ?

Church of Notre Dame de l'Assomption



In the Church of "Notre Dame de l'Assomption".

I challenge you to find these elements scattered throughout the Church!



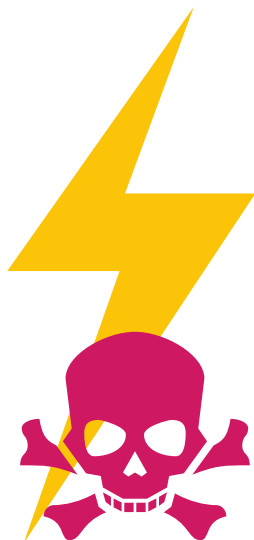
Representation of Sainte-Barbe



At the corner of street "des Platanes" and Boulevard "du Midi", a statue under protection lies in wait.

Make way, for you are in presence of Saint Barbara : the patron saint of firefighters and storm-maker!

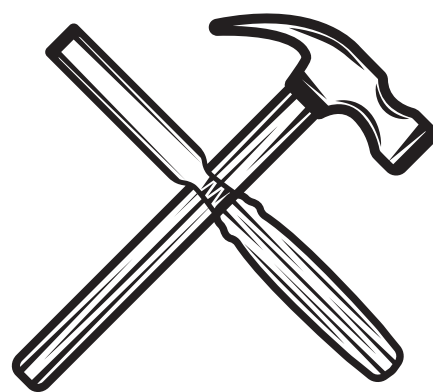
What does she protect her believers from? Find out by solving these riddles!



The carved stone

Along street "des Platanes", upon your right, lies a carved stone whose meaning still hold many secret to this day.

In which street or boulevard did you find it?



From the scrolls of time...

Here, upon this very ground, once held the old walls of Boulogne! In days of old, it was a bastide: a fortified village built to keep its market at the heart of its life. Its steadfast walls stood for four centuries, nay, perhaps even five!



The Abbey's Capital

Venture along Boulevard "du Midi" until you spot this capital atop a house.

Can you tell into how many parts the capital is divided?

This is what it looks like...



☐ 1

☐ 2

☐ 3

A Drop of Wisdom:

This capital was **reused**, that means it was taken from an old building to be part of a new one. It originally came from the Abbey of Nizors.

The 3-storey dwelling



At the corner of street "Désirat" and boulevard "du Midi" stands an abode with a very special look.
Can you tell me what looks different?

Here's what you're looking for...

From the scrolls of time...

A long time ago, people built with materials they found nearby. But this dwelling has slate, a stone from the Pyrenees, far away from here.

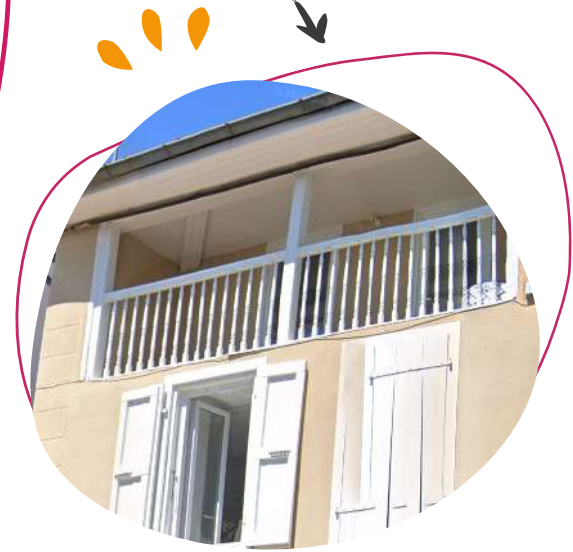
Whoever built this house must have been important, and showed it by using special materials!

The "Mirandes"

At the corner of street "Porte de Dessus" and street "Perruque" stands a building crowned with a balcony on its uppermost floor.

Which way is it facing ?

Here's what you need to find...



☐ South

☐ East

☐ North

☐ West

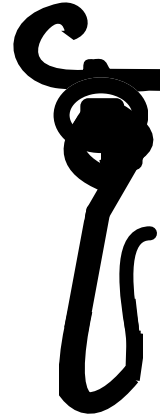
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The "Mirandes" are typical buildings from the villages of Gascony. These open galleries atop houses, once, where used to dry pastel !

Gas street lighting

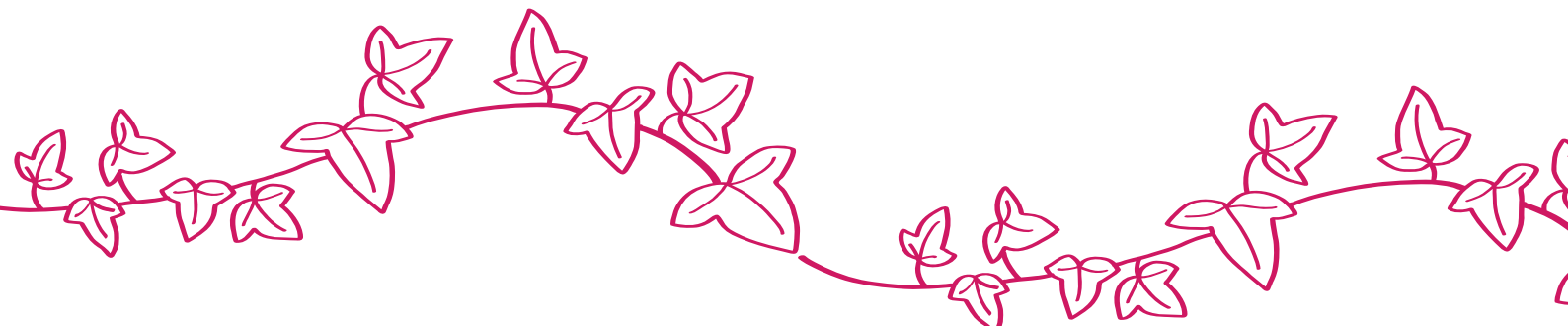
Look up, young provost ! At the corner of street "de l'Hôpital", sometimes wrapped in ivy, there's a hook, but nothing hangs from it. *What is missing from this hook to make it work again?*

It's similar to this...



From the scrolls of time...

This is the last remaining piece of **gas street lighting**: a wrought iron hanger that used to hold a lantern long ago.



The Hall's Town-Hall



Step forth to the "Place de la Mairie" where the Market Hall stands : long ago, it held Boulogne's market.

Still the heart of the town today, it once also housed the administrative and judicial offices of the bastide.

Can you name the two symbols etched upon one of the pillars supporting the Market Hall ?

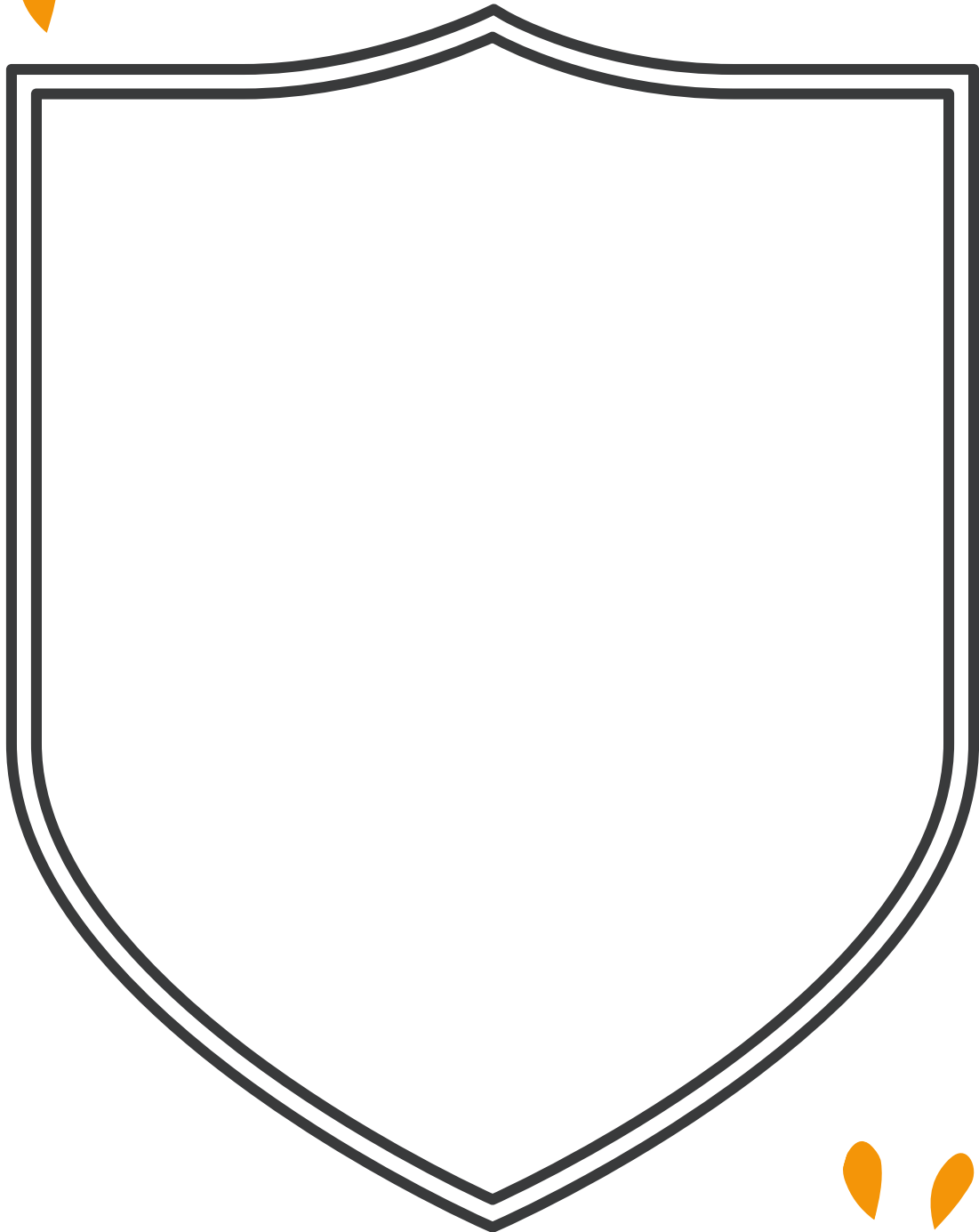


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CONGRATULATIONS, your adventure ends here!

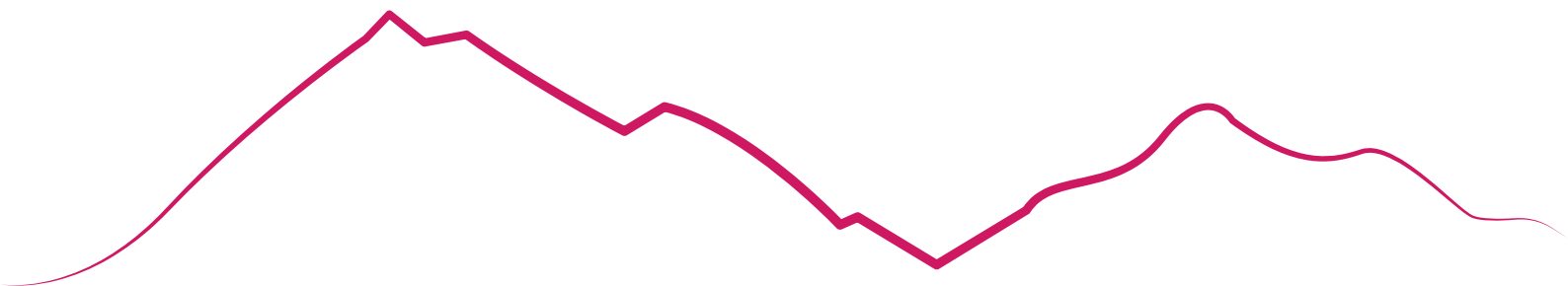
Create your own coat of arms, invent
your colors and symbols



Grab a pencil and
complete your little shop!



Don't forget to return to the Tourist Office!



We hope you enjoyed uncovering the secrets of Boulogne-sur-Gesse !

Rejoice, young provost, for you have conquered every challenge on your quest ! The Seneschal Eustache de Beaumarchais will be pleased, for you have successfully retraced the history of Boulogne-sur-Gesse
CONGRATULATIONS!

But not so fast, traveler! Come check your answers at the Tourist Office, and if you were the best, we will grant you your diploma!

Farewell for now, young provost!



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