



Can you find...

...the answers while walking around Castle Loch?

The walk around Castle Loch is 3 miles and takes about 90 minutes, but allow a bit longer if you are searching out the quiz answers - follow the wooden finger posts 'Castle Loch Walk'.

Tip for the answers: look out for the information boards along the way.

Start from the loch side car park by the A709 and continue in an anti-clockwise direction.

1. How many mute swans can often be seen on the loch? How many can you see today?
Up to 150
2. Where do willow tits nest?
They excavate a nesting hole in rotten trees
3. What is the name of the sailing club?
Annandale Sailing Club

Pass through the sailing club and on to Victory Park

4. The fossil footprints at Corncockle Quarry belonged to which mammal-like reptile?
Dicynodont
5. The lochs of Lochmaben are known as what?
Kettle Lochs
6. What tasty treat do herons love? **Tip:** look behind the heron sculpture.
Frogs
7. Name the animals carved on the Forest classroom seats.
Mice, geese, robins, hares, foxes, owls

Look out for the big fishing pier and canoe sculpture

8. The name Lochmaben is thought to come from which god?
Maponus, god of youth
9. What fish is carved on the bench?
Vendace

10. Can dragonflies fly backwards?

Yes

11. Along with the woodpecker, what other animal is carved on the sculpture?

Red squirrel

Continue along roadside and turn left at the castle sign

12. Look out for the man in the tree – who is he?

Robert the Bruce

13. When was the castle built?

Around 1300

14. In the bird hide, how many farmland birds are on the poster?

18

Continue along the boardwalk, over the burn and then across the grassland

15. What is the Latin name for a kingfisher?

Alcedo atthis

16. The yellow iris is the county flower of one of the old 'Shires' of Dumfries & Galloway.

Which one?

Wigtownshire

17. Name the three most common trees found in a 'wet woodland'.

Willow, alder, birch

18. When does the orange tip butterfly fly?

April - June

19. What are otter droppings called?

Spraints

