

Welcome to the exhibition

Join us on a voyage of discovery around the exhibition to find out about the Grand Tour, and the story of a ship called the Westmorland.

1 Search the blue gallery

Find this painting of a battle at sea



How many ships are in the painting?

Can you spot a British ship?

Which ship do you think is winning this battle?

Now find a model ship in a case nearby. Tick the box when you can find.....

cannons windows

telescopes ladders

flag stairs

Imagine how it would feel to be at the top of the mast on lookout!



A tale of the high seas: part 1

This exhibition tells the story of a ship called the Westmorland which was captured by French battleships while on its way from Italy to England in January 1779. The ship was crammed full of lovely paintings and objects bought by tourists on a Grand Tour through Italy.

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Stay in the blue gallery

Find this painting which shows a port in the city of Málaga in Spain.



Can you spot?

- a man snoozing
- people camping
- a flag
- a woman and baby

A tale of the high seas: part 2



After it was captured the Westmorland was taken to the port of Málaga in Spain. The ship was unloaded and the French sold the ship's cargo in Spain. All sorts of things, from barrels full of cheese to fancy paintings and sculptures were sold off. Imagine how the owners of the things on the Westmorland must have felt when all their shopping never made it home! This ship's cargo was called 'The English Prize'. Many of the artworks were bought by King Carlos of Spain.....

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Find a portrait of King Carlos III of Spain.

Circle three words which you think best describe him.

stern

cheerful

ugly

handsome



friendly

grand

silly

rich

Add in some words of your own.

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Stay in the blue gallery

Find a painting of the Colosseum and a map of Rome nearby. Tourists on the Grand Tour would have used this map for sight seeing.



Can you spot the Colosseum on the map of Rome on the wall?

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Search the green gallery

The Grand Tourists had some favourite pictures they liked to buy like this classical scene. Find this picture hanging on the wall.



In a display case nearby, look for a fan with the same picture on it.

Can you spot any differences between the picture on the wall and on the fan?

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Search the lilac gallery

Grand Tourists often bought statues for their houses.

Find a statue of the ancient Roman goddess Minerva.

What animals can you see on the statue?

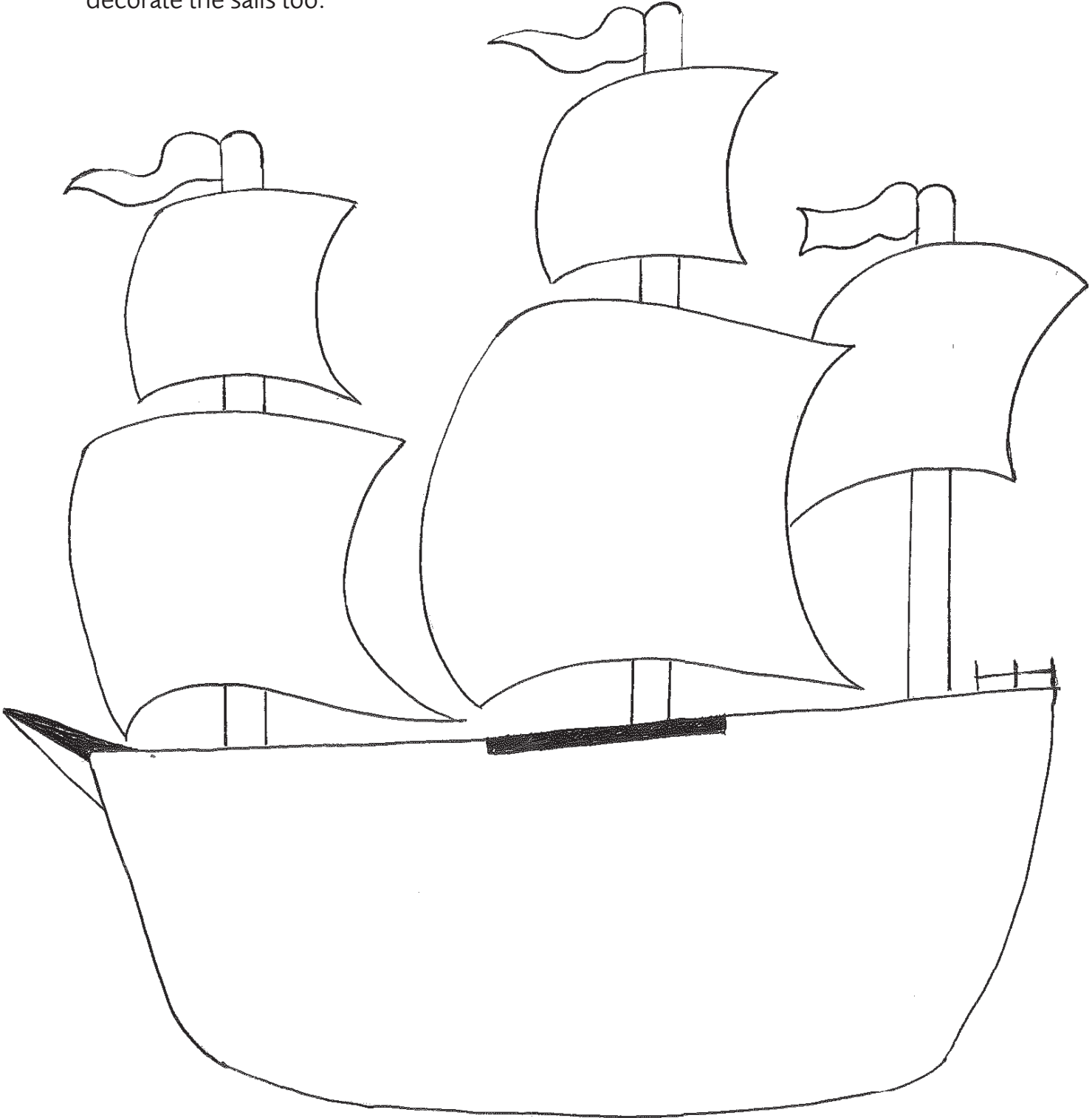
Which statue would you choose for your house?



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What would you buy on a grand tour?

As you go around the galleries you may spot one or two things you really like, just like the Grand Tourists did on their travels. Choose one or two of your favourite things which you might buy on a Grand Tour, and draw them in the ship's hold below. You can decorate the sails too:



Well done! You've sailed through the exhibition.
Pick up a well done certificate at the shop .

