

Museum Challenges

50 Challenges in One year... GO!

See how many of the 50 Museum Challenges you can complete in one year.

Many of them can be achieved by visiting museums in Leicester. You can also complete them by visiting other places when on a day trip or holiday. Think about visiting museums online too and explore museums around the world from your computer or phone. Use the challenges to help you search for different museums.

Don't forget you can ask museum staff for hints and tips to help you... Good luck!

1. Visit a museum or an exhibition which begins with the same letter as your name.

2. Visit a museum which specialises in one subject.

3. Challenge a friend to join in with these museum challenges and go to a museum together.

4. Visit an exhibition that has an exhibit on clothing or handicraft traditions.

5. Find a piece of art, a historical photograph or an object which shows something you really like.

6. Visit a museum with children or try one of the museum activities and events.

7. Get to know about the Leicestershire Regiment at Newarke Houses Museum.

8. Visit the Forget-me-knot garden at Abbey Pumping Station.

9. Visit a museum while listening to music with earphones or enjoy music in some form at a museum.

10. View a piece or an exhibition on climate change.

11. Spot all four elements at a museum: earth, air, fire and water.

12. Find your next target museum from a leaflet or ask a tip from a member of museum staff.

13. Visit a Museum online. Explore somewhere you have always wanted to visit.

14. Discover science or technology at a museum.

15. Watch a film or read a book that gives you more knowledge about an exhibition theme or an artist

16. Find an exhibit that sparks emotions in you, like happiness, sadness or amazement.

17. Be inspired by an object or exhibition and create something, for example a photo, text or a drawing.

18. Visit an exhibition or a museum that you would not normally visit.

19. Find a piece or an object at a museum that was made in the year you were born.

20. Get to know the history of your own home area at a museum.

21. Visit a museum outside your hometown or city.

22. Find a piece of art at a museum which can be experienced with at least two senses.

23. Visit a museum devoted to a famous person.

24. Visit a museum which has a garden. Like Newarke Houses.

25. Admire a museum building from the outside. Take a picture of the building.

26. See an object or thing that is over 1000 years old at a museum.

27. Ask a person who doesn't normally go to museums to visit a museum with you.

28. Visit an exhibition which has a video exhibit. Watch the piece from start to finish.

29. Participate in a guided tour.

30. Visit a museum which has opened in the last 10 years.

31. Experience a piece of art that you can touch.

32. Participate in a workshop in a museum.

33. Complete five of these challenges in a single museum.

34. Find an everyday object familiar to you in a museum.

35. Spend a rainy day in a museum.

36. Try on the dressing up clothes or use the masks provided for you to use in the museum.

37. Participate in an event held in a museum, e.g. an event day, a concert.

38. Find your favourite animal in a museum. It can be an object or in a picture.

39. Find out information about a museum building and the person who designed it before visiting the museum.

40. Find a costume in a museum that you'd like to dress up in for a fancy party. The costume can also be depicted in a photo or a painting.

41. Walk around an exhibit with "hand binoculars"; form rings with your thumbs and fingers and lift them to your eyes.

42. Visit a house museum or a home museum and find out about how life used to be before your time.

43. Feel the Christmas spirit at a Christmas event at a museum.

44. Discuss a museum exhibit with someone who is also visiting but who is not familiar to you.

45. Find a piece of art or a historical photo in a museum that depicts the sea or a lake.

46. Visit two museums in a day.

47. Have a look in the cells at Leicester Guildhall.

48. Work out the oldest museum you have visited.

49. Work out the most recently opened museum you have visited.

50. Invent your own museum challenge and complete it! Share your challenge with friends and family.