Let's explore the Ogmore castle ruins!

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See if you can spot these special features of the castle whilst exploring:

Tick

Courthouse:

Look out for a rectangular building on the left-hand side of the castle entrance. This used to be a courthouse where laws were made and castle residents settled their disagreements. ☐

Lime kiln:

Walk around the side of the Courthouse and you'll find a little round structure. This is a lime kiln that was used for making lime mortar *(like cement)* for building. ☐

Keep:

The larger rectangular building *(on the left as you cross the bridge)* is what's known as a *'keep'*. This would have been the strongest and safest place in the castle. People would have taken refuge here if the castle ever came under attack. ☐

Castle wall:

The wall was built to help defend the castle from attackers. It is made from all sorts of stones that were found locally and glued together using mortar, made in a lime kiln. Imagine what it would have been like with an attacking army just on the other side of the wall! ☐

Moat:

The ditch surrounding the castle grounds is called a moat. Each day the waters of the Ewenny River used to rise up and flood the area during high tide. The moat would fill with water and help to prevent the castle from being flooded. ☐

WARNING:
Do not climb on the walls/masonry at the castle site

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Gadewch i ni grwydro adfeilion castell Ogwr!

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Tybed a allwch chi weld y nodweddion arbennig hyn yn y castell wrth eu crwydro?

Ticiwch

Y Cwrt:

Cadwch lygad am adeilad hirsgwar ar yr ochr chwith i fynedfa'r castell. Cwrt oedd hwn ar un adeg lle byddai cyfreithiau'n cael eu gwneud a thrigolion y castell yn setlo unrhyw anghydfod.

Odyn galch:

Cerddwch rownd ochr y Cwrt a byddwch yn dod o hyd i adeilad bach crwn. Odyn galch yw hwn a gafodd ei defnyddio i wneud morter calch *(sy'n debyg i sment)* ar gyfer adeiladu.

Y Gorthwr:

Yr enw ar yr adeilad hirsgwar mwyaf *(ar y chwith wrth i chi groesi'r bont)* yw'r *'gorthwr'*. Hwn oedd y lle cryfaf a mwyaf diogel yn y castell. Byddai pobl wedi llochesu yma, pe bai rhywrai'n ymosod ar y castell

Mur y castell:

Codwyd y mur i helpu amddiffyn y castell rhag ymosodwyr. Mae wedi'i adeiladu o bob math o gerrig y cafwyd hyd iddyn nhw'n lleol a'u sodro wrth ei gilydd gan ddefnyddio morter oedd yn cael ei wneud mewn odyn galch. Dychmygwch sut brofiad fyddai bod yn y castell gyda byddin yn ymosod arno a dim ond trwch y wal rhyngddoch chi!

Y Ffos:

Dyfrffos neu amffos yw enw'r ffos o amgylch tiroedd y castell. Bob dydd roedd dyfroedd afon Ewenni'n arfer codi gan orlifo'r ardal ar adeg y penllanw. Byddai dŵr yn llenwi'r ffos gan helpu i gadw'r castell rhag llifogydd.

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