Museum Mansion

SIR JOHN SOANE'S MUSEUM LONDON

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Welcome to Sir John Soane's Museum! Everything here is old and precious, even the floors and walls. Please be careful and touch as little as possible. ***Fold this page in 4.***

2 FIND ME

South Drawing Room (21)

Ask a guide if you need help finding the room.

This is a portrait painting of Sir John Soane and you are standing in his house. When he died, he asked that his home be turned into a museum. Now everyone can visit his home and see the amazing things inside.

Can you find pictures of his sons and wife?

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North Drawing Room (20)

In this room you will find paintings and architectural drawings of imagined buildings as well as scenes from history and fiction.

Can you find which pictures these three images are from?

Sir John Soane appears in one picture in this room.

Can you find him standing in a crowd?

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Staircase (31)

Go down the stairs until you find three wooden models of buildings hanging on the wall. John Soane designed these important government buildings. He had lots of models like these made to show people what his buildings would look like when finished.

The one that looks like a castle is a design for the law courts in Westminster. The other two are part of the Bank of England.

5 FIND ME

Kitchen (16)

This is a speaking tube. Soane and his family could use it to talk to the servants who worked downstairs. The servants included a butler, a footman, two housemaids and a cook. If you could connect two rooms in your house with a speaking tube which would they be?

6 FIND ME

Outside

Coal was needed to keep the house warm and cook on the stove. It was kept in storage areas beneath the pavement. Carts pulled by horses delivered the coal to houses and poured it through holes under these metal covers.

How many fireplaces can you find as you continue your visit?