



Scott for Schools:

Board Game

This activity introduces pupils to the world of Walter Scott through a fun board game using excerpts of Scott's poetry, and facts about the author, his work and his life. Pupils can play in teams and take turns, or as individual players.

In addition to the board and the cards, you will need dice and counters (to represent the teams or players) for this game. A fun add-on activity could be for the pupils to make their own counters- why not try making miniature books with titles of works by Walter Scott? A guide for this can be found over the page.

Pupils should also have some scrap paper and pencils for some of the activities within the game.

The board game is easy to follow, but a brief description of the way to play can be found below:

- Each player or team begins by placing their counter on the 'Start' space
- Each player or team should choose a 'Poems' card to read aloud to the rest of the group (pupils playing in teams can take it in turns to read aloud Poems cards, as there will be more to read during the game).
- In turn, each player rolls the dice, following the prompts and instructions accordingly, and making their way around the board.
- At times, they may land on a 'Tasks' square, where they will read aloud a fact or piece of information about Scott, and they may be prompted to do an activity.
- The first player or team to make it around the board wins.



Miniature Masterpieces: Create your own Counter!

In this activity, pupils create their own miniature masterpieces in the form of a book, inspired by Scott's works. These tiny tales can be used as counters for the Walter Scott Board Game- they could also be enjoyed as a standalone activity, creating little books to be lined up on a tiny bookshelf!

You will need:

- White paper cut into strips (about 4cm height- make is easier by using the width of a ruler as a template for this)
- Tiny snippets of white paper (for the title)
- Colourful paper (using the ruler once more- 4cm height by 6 / 7cm wide)
- Patterned paper (cut into rectangles of 4cm height and 3cm width)
- Glue
- Pencil

How to make:

- First, take the long strip of white paper, and fold into a concertina (zigzag) shape. This will be used to create your book pages. Each page should be roughly 3cm width. You can / an adult can help you cut off any excess.
- Now, take your colourful piece of paper- this will be your book cover. Fold this in half (like a book!).
- With your book cover flat on the table, glue the end concertina pages to the inside of the cover, one on the left hand side of the inside cover, and one on the right hand side of the inside cover.
- Check your progress by closing the book with the concertina folded inside- it should start to look like a book.
- Next, take two rectangular patterned pieces of paper- ideally matching, but if you'd prefer mismatched choose the ones you like best. Stick one on the top of each of the ends of the concertina pages you have glued to the inside cover. These are 'end papers'.
- Finally, take the tiny piece of white paper, and write your chosen title onto this, before sticking it on the front cover of the book. You can try writing inside your tiny book too, if you like!



- Why not make the miniature books Scott-themed? Choose from the following titles of some of Scott's poems to write on your book cover:
 - *Harold the Dauntless*
 - *The Lady of the Lake*
 - *Marmion*
 - *The Lord of the Isles,*
 - *The Lay of the Last Minstrel*
 - *Rokeby*
 - *Young Lochinvar*
 - *Jock O'Hazeldean*