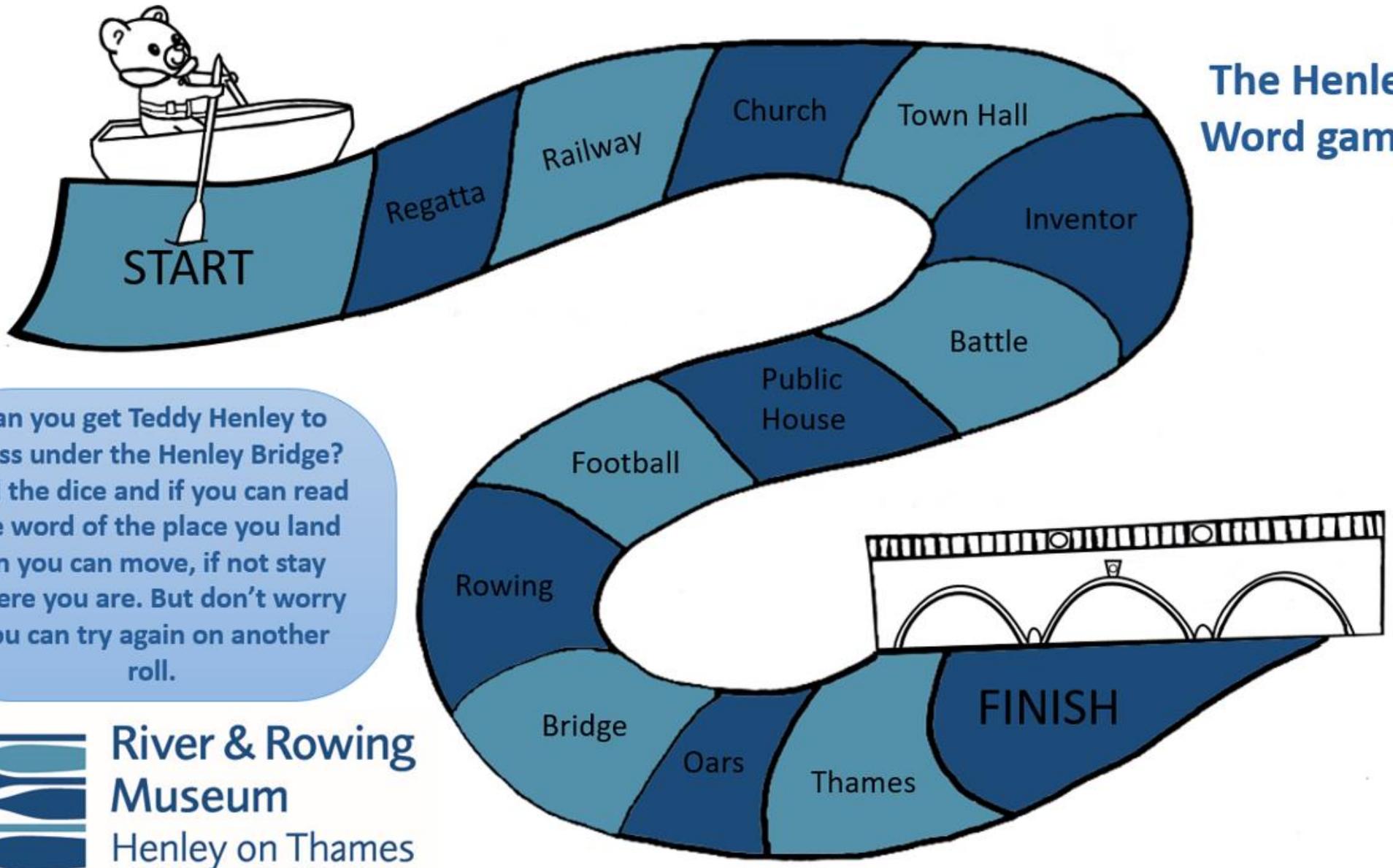
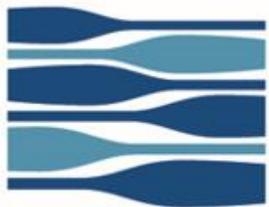


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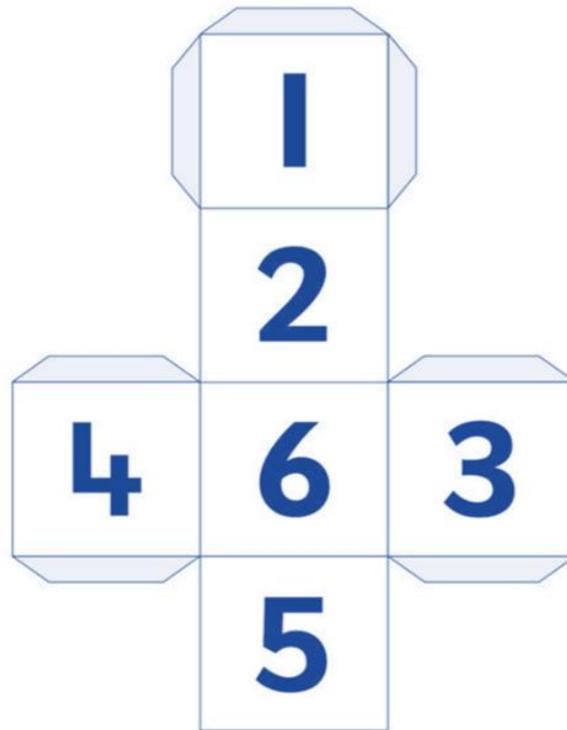


Can you get Teddy Henley to cross under the Henley Bridge? Roll the dice and if you can read the word of the place you land on you can move, if not stay where you are. But don't worry you can try again on another roll.



**River & Rowing
Museum**
Henley on Thames

There is a dice for you to make on the next page with more information each of these words.



Henley Words and Places



1. **Regatta:** The Henley Royal Regatta is an annual rowing competition held in Henley on Thames. Many people visit Henley in the summer to watch the races. Henley Royal Regatta started in Victorian times in 1839. At first there was just one day of rowing; this increased to two days in 1840, three in 1886 and four in 1906. The event became "Royal" in 1851, when Prince Albert became patron of the Regatta.



2. **Railway:** The rail line to Henley was built in 1857. Henley Station only has one platform today but it used to have 3 platforms. In Victorian times there would have been steam engines which are very different to the trains we have now. The railway station was built so people could travel to attend Henley Royal Regatta.



3. **Church:** The first record of the Church was in 1204. Since then lots of changes have been made, including during the Victorian period. The Great West Wing window and the west door were added in the 1850s.

4. **Town Hall:** The existing town hall dates from 1901 at the end of Queen Victoria's Reign. The building was planned for Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee in 1897. The town hall was built by local builder Charles Clements.



5. **Inventor:** Humphrey Gainsborough was a famous inventor from Henley who lived during the 18th century. He is important to Henley's history because he designed Conway Bridge, built in 1763 at Park Place close to Henley. The bridge still carries traffic between Wargrave and Henley today. Gainsborough also designed the lock, weir and footbridge at Marsh Lock on the River Thames near Henley.

6. **Battle:** In 1643 there was a battle in Henley called the Battle of Duck Street. This was part of the English Civil War when King Charles I was fighting the English Parliament.

7. **Public House:** The phrase "Public House" is now often abbreviated to the word "pub". The oldest pub in Henley is the "The Old Bell". The building dates back to 1325 and is the oldest building in the town.

8. **Football:** Henley Town F.C. is Henley's football club. They are members of the Thames Valley Premier League Division Two and play at the Triangle Mill. The club was established in November 1871, making it the oldest club recognised by the Oxfordshire County Football Association.

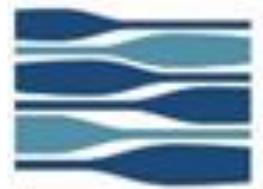


9. **Rowing:** Rowing was a way of getting about before it became a sport. Rowing became more popular with the first Boat Race between and Oxford and Cambridge universities in Henley in 1829. By the 19th century, rowing had become a popular sport in Europe and America.



10. **Bridge:** Henley Bridge was built in 1786 and is a road bridge with 5 arches. In 2011 it needed repairs costing £200,000 because a boat crashed into it.

11. **Oars:** Rowing oars have been used since the Stone Age. Wooden oars and canoe-shaped pottery that are over 7000 years old were found in China. In Japan an oar from 4000BC was found that was only 63.4cm long. Oars used today for competitive rowing can be 250 – 300cm long. The River & Rowing Museum has oars in its logo.



12. **Thames:** The River Thames is the river which flows through Oxford (where it is called the Isis), Reading, Henley on Thames and Windsor and on to London. People started settling in Henley because of the river so the Thames is important to the town.

