Animals and Fantastic Beasts

Our Heraldry Activity Pack contains drawings of animals and fantastic beasts for you to colour in.

Heraldry is about showing people who you are and what you are like. Why not make your own shield and use one of these creatures as a ‘charge’ or emblem?

Follow our guide here:
www.english-heritage.org.uk/make-a-shield
A stag symbolises wisdom and long life
A Griffin is a combination of lion and eagle and symbolises watchfulness and courage.
A badger symbolises endurance or ‘hanging on’
An eagle symbolises power and nobility.
A hare symbolises speed
A Cockatrice is a cross between a cockerel and a dragon and symbolises protection.
A lion passant (walking along) guardant (on guard) symbolises bravery
A lion rampant (rearing up) symbolises bravery
A dog symbolises faithfulness and reliability
Manticore

A manticore or ‘man-tiger’ is a fearsome man-eating creature with a lion’s body, man’s face, tusks, horns and a deafening trumpet-like voice.
A dragon, the earliest and most common fabulous beast is a brave and cunning defender of treasure.