

# The Lewis Chessmen

## Part one : listening comprehension

Click on the following link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oZBXTy5KK3I&t=351s> or go on Youtube and retrieve the video named “Irving Finkel and the Chamber of Lewis Chessmen I Curator's Corner S 2 Ep9”, then watch it WITHOUT THE SUBTITLES and answer the following questions:

1. Is the narrator in charge of the Lewis Chessmen in his department? .....
2. How does he come to know them, then? .....
3. Why is he fascinated by them? .....
4. When were they found, approximatively? .....
5. What are the two museums where you can see them? .....
6. In which world-famous movie do these chess pieces appear? .....
7. Why, according to the narrator? .....
8. What were the original colors of the pieces? What for?.....
9. Why is it of significant historical importance to know it now?.....
10. Which example does he give which shows the public is fascinated by these pieces? .....

## Part two : reading comprehension

Click on the following link <https://www.britishmuseum.org/blog/queens-gambit-how-lewis-chessmen-won-world-over> or go on a Google and type “The Queen’s Gambit: how the Lewis Chessmen won the world over”, then read the website page and tick the right answers (be careful! A right answer would give you 2 points, a wrong one would take you 1 point, BUT no answer would take you 3 points)

Affirmation	True	Wrong
The were famous in the Department of Antiquities since the beginning of the 1830's	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
They are the only walrus ivory pieces that were be found in the hoard they belonged	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The ivory used might come from Greenland	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is certain they belonged to a trader travelling from Norway to Iceland to sell them	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chess was popular with the nobility but the Church disapproved of the game	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

