



Museum Access: The Met Cloisters Museum

SEASON 1 - EPISODE 6

The Cloisters Museum in New York is a beautiful integration of art and nature. It features medieval art from Europe in a space designed for reflection and peace. It is home to many religious works and the world famous Unicorn Tapestries. Let's continue learning with these questions and talking points.

Question 1

Many of the world's famous art collections were originally collected by individuals with an interest in art. What type of art would you collect if you had the opportunity?

More Talking Points:

1. How would you display your collection?
2. Would you split your collection between multiple museums?

Question 2

Museum design is an important factor in providing guests special experiences. Discuss how museum design impacts the guest experience.

More Talking Points:

1. What are some of the unique features of the Cloisters?
2. Why was its unique location so important?

Question 3

Why do you think religious themes were often the subject for medieval artists?

More Talking Points:

1. How is religion depicted in art throughout time?
2. Why is stained glass an important part of the Cloisters collection?

Question 4

What is the significance of the plants that are depicted in the Unicorn Tapestries?

More Talking Points:

1. How were the tapestries colored?
2. What other symbols are woven into the tapestries?

Question 5

The process of creating the Unicorn Tapestries took many years. Discuss the process.

More Talking Points:

1. How do you think the artist came up with the idea?
2. Would you have the patience to work on an art project for many years?

