



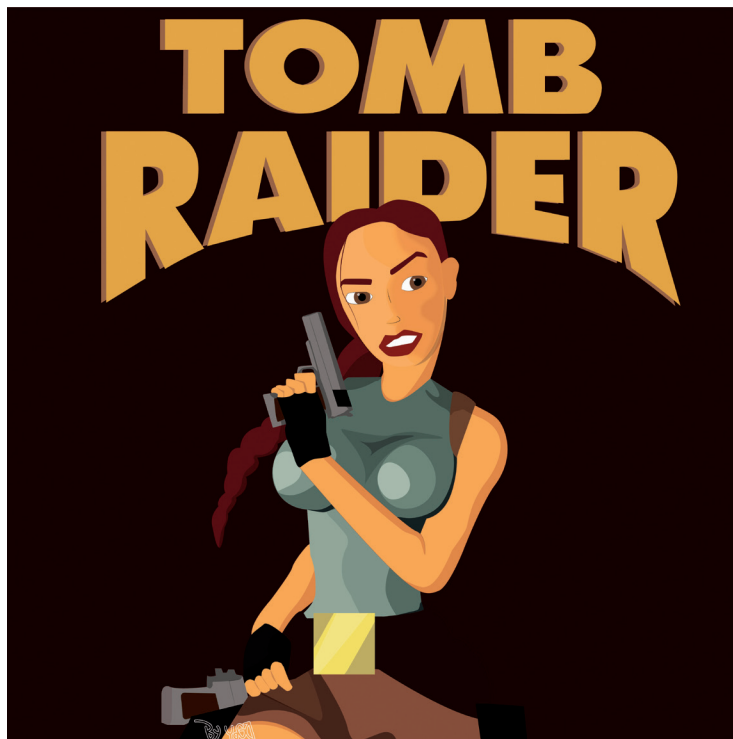
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UK's most famous (virtual) archaeologist: Lara Croft

Lara Croft is the main protagonist of the video game series Tomb Raider, the first game of which was released in 1996 by the British company Core Design. She is a clever and athletic archaeologist who explores ancient tombs, temples, and ruins all around the world. Here are a few facts about Lara Croft:

Can you guess which statement is false?

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- d. After the launch of Tomb Raider, Lara Croft made the cover of *Newsweek*, *Time*, and *The Financial Times*. right false
- e. There are 23 official Tomb Raider games. right false
- f. Tomb Raider was one of the first games to use the first-person perspective, so that the player has the impression of being part of the story. right false
- g. A decision was made to release a music album with songs by Lara Croft (despite her being fictional) as part of the game promotion. It was a huge success. right false



Teaching ideas

☆☆☆ **CYCLE 3** - In groups, have pupils watch videos about the different Croft Manors on YouTube, then ask them to prepare a description they will present to their classmates. They will have to recognise which group worked on which manor.



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Answer: G is false. It was considered so bad by the producers themselves that they decided to cancel the project. Songs can still be found on YouTube, though.