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n. pl. **bai·leys**

1. A wall or palisade surrounding the structures protected by a medieval fort or castle, especially the outer wall of a castle.
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[Middle English *bailli*, from Old French *baille*, probably from Latin *bacula*, pl. of *baculum*, log, stick; see [BACILLUS](#).]

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