

The answers

- 1 Stocks:** These were used to punish people for less serious crimes. Your legs were locked in the holes.
- 2 Arch:** The Triumphal Arch was built in memory of the 1st Duke of Marlborough. The Latin says that he was a clever and successful soldier - the text is in English on the other side of the arch.
- 3 Church clock:** The church clock is no ordinary clock but a musical clock or carillon. Four times a day (at 9am, 1pm, 5pm and 9pm) it plays a tune - a different tune for each day of the week.
- 4 Churchill:** All the church kneelers have pictures on them. This one shows Winston Churchill, Prime Minister during the Second World War. He was born at Blenheim Palace in 1874.
- 5 Bear:** (hotel sign) People used to enjoy many things that we'd find cruel today - like bear baiting. In this 15th century inn yard a bear could be chained up and attacked by hunting dogs.
- 6 Coat of arms:** All nobles used to have a coat of arms - these are the Marlborough Arms. The 4th Duke of Marlborough paid for the Town Hall to be built in 1766.
- 7 Sundial:** Before clocks people used sundials to tell the time - not easy on a cloudy day, particularly so high up on the side of the Town Hall! The Latin words underneath mean 'TIME FLIES'.
- 8 Rider:** No one knows who the rider above Brothertons' window was. A highwayman? A duke?
- 9 Drain date:** The drain pipe on No 6/8 must be at least 300 years old - the date 1710 is painted on it.
- 10 Fire mark:** Fire marks were used to show firemen that the owner had paid his fire insurance. If you had no badge you had to put your own fire out! This one (look out for others) is above Harriets.
- 11 Cromwell:** During the Civil War Oliver Cromwell stayed in number 28 while his troops (Roundheads) attacked the King's soldiers (Royalists) in Woodstock Manor which was in the Park.
- 12 Windowless window:** The more windows you had, the more tax you paid, so many windows (like this one on Hope House) were blocked up.
- 13 Dinosaur:** Millions of years ago dinosaurs, like this one in the museum garden, were found in Oxfordshire! Look for his footsteps too.
- 14 Norman door:** This round arched door with chevron design dates back to Norman times.
- 15 Plaque:** The Civil War was a terrible time in Woodstock. Edmond Hiorne, town clerk, suffered for loyalty supporting the king as we read from this plaque on a wall by the path to the church.



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Woodstock is full of history. Use the map to match the numbers to the pictures.
To help, the first one is done for you.
Good luck!

The stocks

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Windowless window



The sundial



Churchill



Fire mark



Church clock



The rider



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The dinosaur



Norman door



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The plaque



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