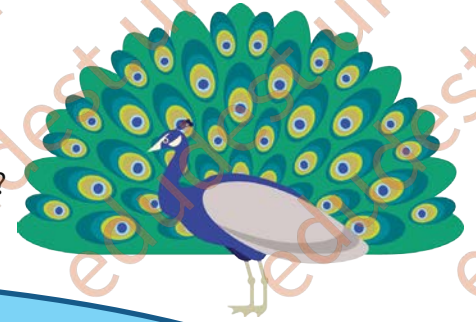


Robin Hill Detectives Required! Can you find answers to important questions?

Student Introduction

- ▶ Are you good at using clues in order to work out answers to questions?
- ▶ Do you have the perseverance to hunt high and low to find information?
- ▶ Are your detective skills up to scratch?



- ✓ You are going to use your skills to find out the answers to questions about Robin Hill.

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your answers with others who are returning to school.

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Find the answers to the following:

Questions

- Why would squirrels be unable to locate nuts and seeds which have been buried by another one of its species?
- Buzzards are extremely patient. Find information to prove this statement.
- Why do you think that the lesser burdock is thought to have inspired Velcro?
- Multiply the distance from Robin Hill to Land's End by the distance from Robin Hill to London (in miles).
- What are the benefits of keeping Combley Roman Villa buried?
- What is the benefit of a lever?
- Find out which Chinese symbol you are. Give reasons why this is a good reflection of your character. Give reasons why it isn't.
- Paul Sivell and Oliver Adams are brave, determined and talented people. Give reasons why these adjectives suit these two individuals.
- The Isle of Wight was the last place in Britain to do something officially. Can you find out what it was?
- Explain why the word 'Gypsy' may have been incorrectly used to name a wandering group of people.



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TEACHER ANSWER SHEET

a) Why would squirrels be unable to locate nuts and seeds which have been buried by another one of its species?

Each squirrel has a scent gland within its mouth so that it can locate its own nuts and seeds.

b) Buzzards are extremely patient. Find information to prove this statement.

They will sometimes wait for hours for their prey to scamper beneath them, before swooping down.

c) Why do you think that the lesser burdock is thought to have inspired Velcro?

The hooked bristles of the seed will catch on a rough surface, just like Velcro.

d) What are the benefits of keeping a villa buried?

It keeps the villa preserved as it will not experience weathering. It ensures preservation as it cannot be touched by human hand.

e) What are the benefits of keeping a villa buried?

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f) What is the benefit of a lever?

It can allow the lifting of extremely heavy weights.

g) Find out which Chinese symbol you are. Give reasons why this is a good reflection of your character. Give reasons why it isn't.

h) Paul Sivell and Oliver Adams are brave, determined and talented people. Give reasons why these adjectives suit these two individuals.

Brave: They had to work at a great height with dangerous machinery; talented: they used only chisels and chainsaws to create a stunning sculpture; determined: they worked tirelessly over a period of 16 days.

i) The Isle of Wight was the last place in Britain to do something officially. Can you find out what it was?

Be officially converted to Christianity.

j) Explain why the word 'Gypsy' may have been incorrectly used to name a wandering group of people.

It was originally believed that the 'wandering group of people' who arrived in Britain in the 16th Century had come from Egypt (hence the name Gypsy. However, it later transpired that they had come from India.

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