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Directions

Puzzles and Facts

1

Start at the entrance to the Blue Coat School

What colours can you see in the sign?

2

Turn right onto Beaumont row

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3

Turn right again into Brown's Piece

This lane hasn't changed much since the 1840's- imagine how many different people must have walked along here since then!

4

Continue past a yellow cottage

What animal is on its sign?

5

Continue walking down the path, following the left fork down the hill

Some animals are kept in the field to your left can you spot them?

6

Keep following the path down the hill

What different types of plants can you spot here? When you reach the steps estimate how many you think there are.

7

When you reach the stream keep left and re-join the main road

There are some stones inside metal cages here what do you think they are for?

8

Walk straight up the road

Number 56 has an Irish word on its sign-what does this mean?

9

Continue walking towards the church

St. Mary' is one of the oldest churches in the area, but when was it first built?

A) 1141

B) 1283

C) 1325

10

The name of this road is Water Lane

Can you guess why it is called this?

11

Turn right at the end of the road and head up the hill

What pictures are on the signs of number three and number five? Hint- there is a link between them

12

Continue walking up the hill past the school

What are the images on the logo?

13

Cross the road and head down Mount pleasant

All of the land along this road used to belong to one house at the top of the street- a huge back garden!

14

Walk all the way along this road

Did you know- the entire town of Wotton burned down at the start of the 13th Century and had to be completely rebuilt!

- 15** Turn left at end of road onto Cotswold Gardens and head down the hill
- Can you spot Court orchard and Court Meadow on the right- what do you think these used to be?
- 16** Pass Moore Hall on your left
- This area is now known as Potter's Pond- can you work out why? Hint- look at the house on the right here
- 17** Continue walking along the road you will pass the Ancient Ram Inn on your left
- Some say this is the most haunted building in England! Can you spot who used the Inn as a hiding place?
- 18** Pass School Road on your left
- What was special about Lady Katherine Berkeley whose name was given to the school which was originally here?
- 19** Keep going straight on up the hill towards the war memorial
- What animal is on the sign of No.3 Church Street?
- 20** Stop when you get to the war memorial
- Someone is always watching the Big White House opposite wall memorial can you spot him? Hint look up when you get to number four
- 21** What do you think the large white house used to be?
- It was known as a hall house. Legend has it that underneath the road here there was a tunnel leading from the church to your right all the way to Berkeley apparently this was tall enough for a man on a horse to ride through. Unfortunately no sign of any such tunnel has been found
- 22** Keep walking up the road past the old town meeting house
- When was this erected?
- 23** Walking past the hall you will see a yellow house on your right
- Can you guess what this used to be? Hint- look at its name!

24

Keep walking up hill

The houses on the right used to be a mill but one is now something quite different- what can you spot on the last house?

25

Continue through the Old Town- On your right-hand side you will see a long, low, red brick building with wide doors at either end

Can you work out what this used to be?

26

Pass Tabernacle Road on the right

You will see a line of houses which haven't changed much since they were built- what do you think they are?

27

Turn left into Bear Street

Where the garage now sits used to be an important building. What do you think it was?
A) School
B) Church
C) Police Station

28

Turn left again when you reach the tall white house

You will see an impressive clock- Who is at the top?

29

Walk toward the clock (this it called the Tolsey Clock as it is the Tolsey building)

At the top of this building there is a weathervane what animal is flying above it?

30

When you reach the clock turn right down Market Street

Can you see another animal on a sign?

31

Keep walking up the street, passing a large white building on your left

What do you think this is? How many different shaped windows can you find on the building?

32

Next you will pass the Star Inn on your right

When was this built, and what famous boat is shown in the sign?

33

Walk straight on, through the car park towards Symn Lane

On your right is the Heritage Centre. What do you think this building was used for in the 1960's?

- A) School
- B) Fire Station
- C) Hospital

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Turn left onto Symn Lane and back down towards school

Well Done! You have completed the Go Outside Blue Coat trail! Visit our website at www.go-outside.co.uk for more trails or to send us some feedback.

Answers:

4) A cat

5) There are usually goats in this field- can you see the shelters where they sleep?

6) Were you right? There are 29

7) Erosion prevention- these are called Gabions

8) Failte means Welcome

9) B AND C! It was first consecrated in 1283 but the church we can see today was finished in 1325

10) There used to be a Mill at the bottom, where you turned back into the road and most of the houses on your left hand side were a Mill Pond.

11) Both have pictures of plants- Pot plants and Holly

12) Two trees, a River and a Sheep

15) The name suggests orchards, a lot of this land was farmland as the hill was too steep for houses

16) The house on the right is called Madam Moore's Well. Actually this area was called Potter's Pound originally, but there was a big pond just here on the right to serve a timber yard on the left.

17) Highwaymen reportedly hid here, as well as a witch who haunts one of the rooms

18) She was the first lay person (unqualified), and first woman to found a school, and this was the first school to offer free education to anyone. What a great woman!

19) An Owl

20) This house used to be where coffins were made, and has this face and the face of an angel on the back door.

21) This used to be farm, along with pink building next door-stretched across where the road is now. You can see where the pink house has been partly demolished to make way for the road.

22) Between 1701-3

23) A court house- this is reportedly one of the oldest buildings on this road

24) The plaque of Mary and baby Jesus shows that this building is now a church

25) If you look carefully above the door you will see paint which says parish rooms. This was a building like a church hall today which had lots of different uses.

26) These are Almshouses, originally built to allow the church to care for the poor who had moved here in search of work.

27) A- a School. One of many in the area. This one ran in the 1840's for both boys and girls.

28) This is Queen Victoria and the clock commemorates her Diamond Jubilee in 1847. It has been in place ever since then.

29) A dragon

30) A Swan- this is the Swan hotel which has been here since the 1800's

32) 1572. The Titanic is shown on the sign as the White Star Line was the company who owned the boat.

33) B- Wotton remained a small town so did not need a large Fire Station to keep the people safe