



MURDEROUS Munching Monks

DID YOU KNOW?

Newnham Priory opened in 1166. The monks moved to Newnham after a murder scandal in their old home!

FACT

Newnham Priory monks were Augustinians. They wore black robes.



Look at the illustration on the panel.
Can you find...?

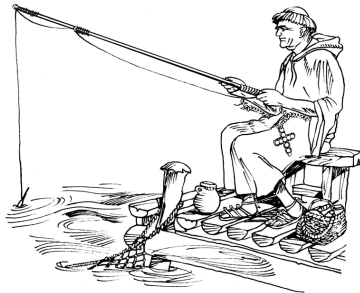


The shady walkways of the cloisters, a mother bringing her 2 children to ask the monks for help, a funeral. Is it a rich person's funeral, or a poor person's – what are the clues?

DID YOU KNOW?

Medieval monks bred fish, because they had many meat-free Fast Days.

You can find the old Priory Fishponds in a bumpy field by the marina. The bumps are the lines of the old ponds.



What would the monks make of today's noisy cars and bustling visitors? What do you think the medieval monks and modern families have in common?

THINK



Which different craftspeople were involved in making the Priory?

DID YOU KNOW?

William Golding's novel *The Spire* imagines a medieval cathedral building project. It's a fantastic read for over-14s.

IMAGINE

How big and important the Priory looked if you lived in 3 or 4 dark rooms, like most working families.

Dig Deeper

You can see painted tiles, a medieval goblet and a gilded star from the Priory in *The Higgins Bedford*.

