

Ely English Trail

Name(s): _____

Date: _____

1. Oliver Cromwell's House - This was the home of the Cromwell family. What is this building used for now? Find the circular bench around the tree opposite the house. What is the recipe for? List the ingredients needed.

2. St Mary's Church - Find the church notice board, what goes on in the church across the week? Go round to the right hand side of the church and find the memorial to the Littleport Riots. What was the 'awful fate' of the five men and why did this happen?

3. Ely Cathedral - Find the cannon on the green directly in front of the Cathedral and locate the plaque. Who presented the cannon and why was it presented to the people of Ely? Walk up to the Cathedral and find the black notice board. Why and how does it ask people to show respect in the grounds? What do you think the phrase 'English spiritual and cultural heritage' means?

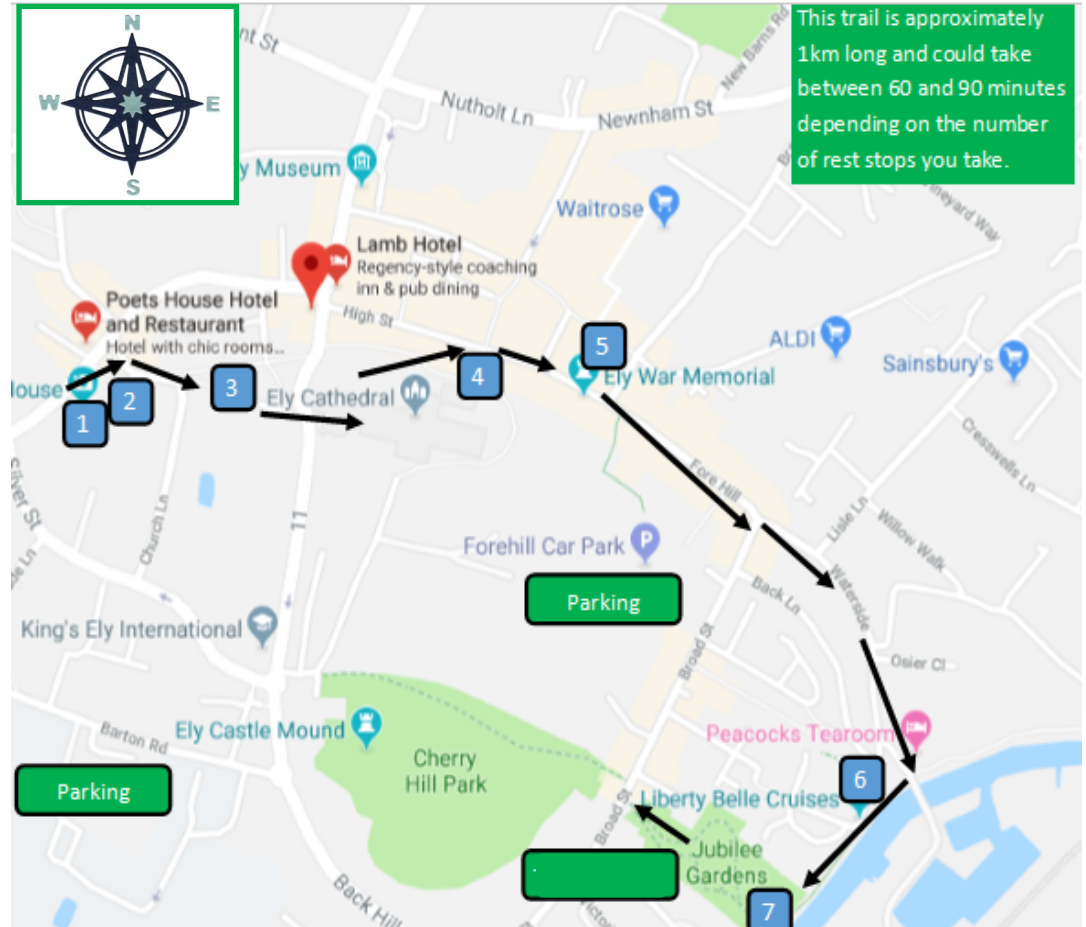
4. Sacrist Gate - A sacrist was a tradesman responsible for the maintenance of the Cathedral buildings. So, why do you think there is a gate here? What do you think the buildings in this area were used for, and what are they used for now?

5. Market Place - Find the war memorial. Read the plaques and think about the language used. Why do you think the memorials say 'laid down their lives' or 'fallen'? To the right of the memorial, there is a red coat of arms with three keys on it? What is this a symbol for?

6. Great Ouse Riverside - Find the white information board 'Eels from Ely'. How did the City of Ely get its name? Read all about eels and discuss why the board says they have a 'fascinating life history'. Now read the part about 'The Fen Rivers Way' and record three pieces of information it gives you.

Now find the board 'The Story of the Fens'. Who were the first people to live and prosper here? Where did the people come from who helped to drain the land and why didn't they use local people to do this?

7. Jubilee Gardens - Find the Eel sculpture and the small plaque on its base. Who was it 'commissioned' by and what does this mean? At the Broad Street side of the gardens, find the 'Welcome to Jubilee Gardens—Visitor Information' board. Summarise why the river was, and still is, so important to Ely.



Extra challenge: On the trail you will pass different places of interest. Play the game, 'I went to Ely and I saw ...'. Once one person has shared their idea, add another idea 'I went to Ely and I saw ... , and ...' with more ideas being added by each person. How many ideas can you get in a string before someone can't remember everything? Try to use a range of descriptive language to expand your ideas.