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Congratulations on completing the Summer Quest  
We hereby certify that

is now an official explorer!



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## Welcome to the Summer Explorer Quest at Whitby Abbey!

There are 12 boards located around in the Abbey grounds, find them all and complete the activities as you go along. Please keep a safe distance from others and follow any directional signs.

What from the Bronze Age was found near the cliff edge here at the Abbey?

- A roundhouse
- A caveman
- A pot of gold!

I think AD stands for...

- All Departed
- Anno Domini

Clue – this is a Latin word meaning ‘in the year of the lord’

The Anglo-Saxons sailed to Britain from which Countries?

- Australia and New Zealand
- Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands

What do you think they decided at the Synod of Whitby meeting held here?

- The formal date of Easter
- If they should close the Monastery

Clue – we might enjoy a sweet treat on this day!

Which fangtastic character do you think was inspired by Whitby Abbey?

- Dracula
- Frankenstein
- The Grand High Witch

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Draw this character in the space below!

I spotted the gladiator statue

**Did you know...** this statue was only re-installed at the Abbey in 2009 after the original 17th Century statue was lost.

A double monastery meant it was home to who?

- People from the local Town
- Both Monks and Nuns

Whitby Abbey looks out onto which sea?

- The English Channel
- The North Sea



Use the space below to describe or draw what you saw at Whitby Abbey today...

St Hild banished which animal from Whitby into the sea? Clue – the fossil is small and coiled...

- Snakes
- Frogs
- Newts

Use the space below to draw your own Hildoceras ammonite!



Can you find the following locations around the Abbey?



### Forecasting the weather!

For thousands of years people have been using the clouds to accurately forecast the weather, this would have been very important for sailors such as Captain Cook.

What can you see in the sky today? Use the cloud descriptions over the page and give your forecast below!

**Cirrus** – wispy and streaky, they indicate fair weather, and that a warm front is on its way.

**Cumulus** – big white fluffy clouds which are wide. These are the typical clouds seen on a summer's day. If you see them after mid-morning, it means no rain for the rest of the day!

**Cumulonimbus** – tall and dark clouds. These bring heavy showers, strong wind and occasionally thunder.

**Altostratus** – white or grey patches in the sky, they look like sheep's wool! Often spotted on warm and humid mornings, they can indicate thunderstorms.

**Nimbostratus** - a dark grey layer, thick enough to block the sun. These are typical rain clouds!

**Cirrocumulus** – very small white patches of cloud, often seen in rows. Likely to be seen in winter when it's colder.

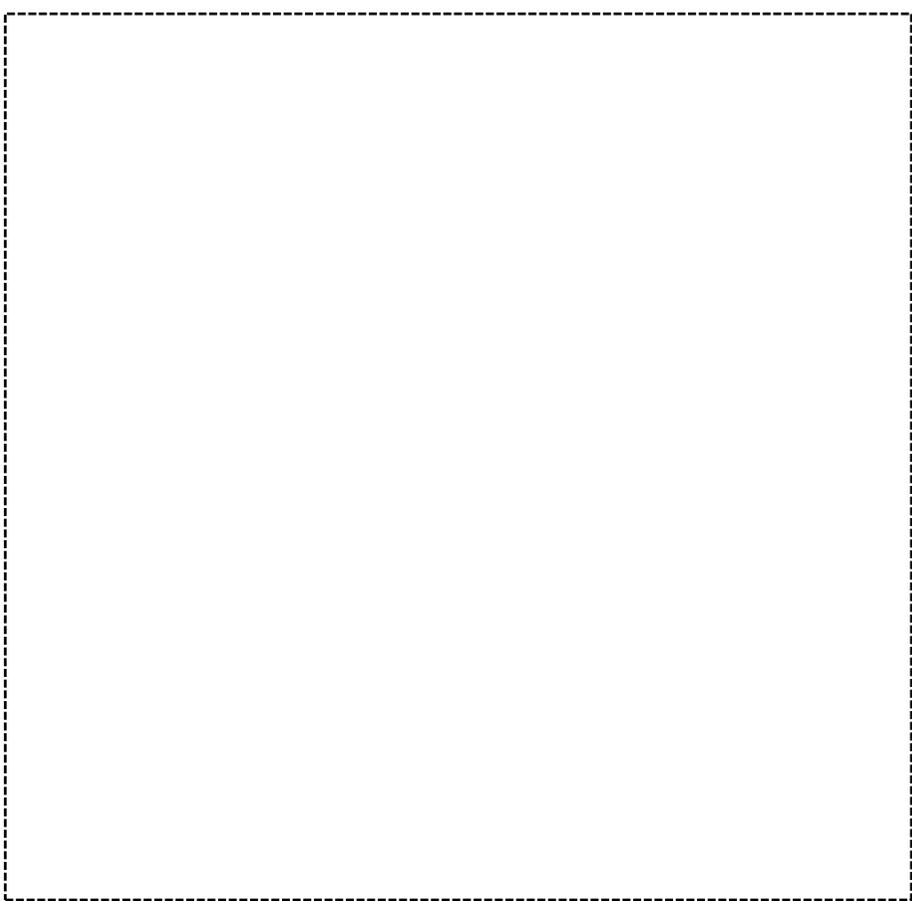
**Stratus** - hang low in the sky as a flat layer of grey cloud. Often seen on dreary, overcast days, they may bring drizzle.

**Stratocumulus** – puffy, low, grey or white clouds with patches of blue sky visible in-between them. Usually seen on cloudy days.



Captain Cook sailed the globe aboard the HMB Endeavour.

Draw your very own explorer ship in the space below!



Don't forget to give your ship a grand name! Did you know – Captain Cook's explorations were so important that NASA named the Endeavour space shuttle after his ship!

Have a go at our Whitby Abbey word search!  
Can you find all 8 hidden words?

F R A C H P T W W C D L D E J  
P O O F T K D G L V H O S S U  
A O S V C P A L Y D B H F J K  
K I E S V G B D I U W V Y G H  
N F N M I I B X I H L H Q N E  
L D G K V L E F W I T M X W P  
Y B B I G X Y O Y W P K U F R  
W H I T B Y Z L P I H S V D A  
Q X Z M M B F T X J Z I I Y F  
F B R M I R I M J X A J F C A  
P J E J E M U T J P P I Z Y E  
D C T T V E D I A Z Z L G W S  
Z V T A U M R R L T D O K O E  
N U M O R V P L R B O Y B I M  
B G K Z Z Q V E C J Q A D W Q

Words to find:

WHITBY      COOK      SHIP  
ABBEY      HILD      FOSSIL  
SEA      BUTTERFLY

