

Worksheet: About Churches

The location of churches can give us a good idea of where people lived in the past and how many people lived in the area.



Activity 1: Around the church

Using a local map, find the nearest church.

- ?** **Is the church located near shops?**
Is this the current town / village centre? What does this tell you?
- ?** **Is the church located on a main road?**
Where does the road go? Why would it be important to build the church here?
- ?** **Is there a graveyard or cemetery next to the church?**
Do you think this is significant?
- ?** **Are there any other churches nearby?**
What does this tell you?
- ?** **Is there a pub or a market place marked on the map near the church?**
What does this tell you about how the church fitted into people's lives?

Activity 2: About the church and grounds



Find out more about the church and its grounds by looking at the information provided on the Park Explorer website.

You could also find out more about the church by visiting it or asking at a local museum.

When you have found out all you can, write down your answer to the following question:

How important do you think the church's location was to people in the past?