

# Quiz:- Explore Botley Road Cemetery

Things to look for in Botley Road Cemetery

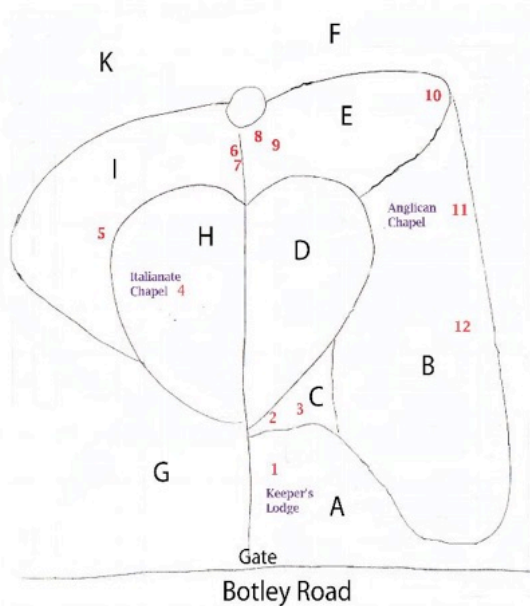
A brief excuse to explore the older part of Romsey's Botley Road cemetery

1. Look at the entrance lodge. What colour bricks are used? What shape are the chimneys?
2. Find William and Clara Brown's grave (near the marker C.) What was William Brown's job? Where do you think he lived?
3. Look at the tree near William Brown's grave. Why is it called a 'monkey puzzle tree'? The Latin name for it is *Araucaria araucana*.
4. Compare the windows on the two chapels. They have different shapes. Can you describe or draw the difference?
5. At the back of the Italianate chapel, there is a big yew tree (*Taxus baccata* L. ). Next to it is a grave where Mr and Mrs Hoddinott and their daughter were buried. What were their names and dates of death? Do you know where Moor Court is?
6. If you go down the slope on the far side of the Italianate chapel, you will find 5 crosses. They record burials of the Daughters of Wisdom who lived in the convent near the abbey. What language is used on the crosses? Do you know why?
7. Near these crosses there is a tree. What is odd about it?
8. Opposite the crosses, one of the headstones has fallen over. What is carved on it?
9. Behind this fallen gravestone, is a kerb surrounding a row of graves. They are all members of one family. What is their surname? Alice, the daughter of one of these people is remembered by a sculpture in Romsey Abbey on which is written the words 'It is well with the child'. She was 2 years old when she died of scarlet fever in 1843 before this cemetery was opened.
10. Look at the big tree below the Anglican chapel. It is called a Cedar of Lebanon (*Cedrus libani*). This tree has young cones. Do they grow upwards or downwards? Can you see the bat box high up on the trunk? The cones take two years to ripen.
11. Look at the pink tomb behind the Anglican chapel. The people buried there lived at Harewood, where Viney Avenue is. Who were they and when were they buried. Do you know why their surname became famous in southern England?
12. Between this grave and the road, there is a big tree, a Cedar of Lebanon (*Cedrus libani*). Its cones are nearly ripe. What shape are they? Can you draw one?
13. Find 3 graves where people were buried before 1870 and record who they were and when they were buried.

Below is a plan showing you roughly where to find the answers to particular questions.

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## CEMETERY PLAN 2



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