



## **St Mary with St Alban, Teddington Churchyard Quiz**

Welcome to this quiz for all ages.  
Choose questions that you might like to answer!

Keep watch for birds and note which ones you see.

*Take care of any broken tombs and rusty railings – they  
might bite!*



**StMARY***with*StALBAN  
PARISH CHURCH *of* TEDDINGTON

**Start at the entrance gate on Twickenham Road.**

## **ENTRANCE**

1. North or South. Which way is the church building facing?  
Tip: Never Eat Shredded Wheat 😁
2. There is a memorial on the wall inside the West Door. They died in 1761.  
Who are they?
3. Which end of the Church is the Tower?
  - a) Which end is the Altar?
  - b) Why is it placed at that end?
4. Name three flowers or plants that you can see in the West flower bed:
  - a)
  - b)
  - c)
5. In the West bed there is a memorial tablet dated 1687.  
Who is it for?

## **SOUTH DOOR**

6. Just to the east of the South Door there is a nail in the wall. Find it, and do you know what it is used for:
  - a) Hanging up the gardener's coat?
  - b) putting a bread basket there to feed the poor?
  - c) hanging public notices from it?
7. Find the memorial for the church cat.  
What was her name?
8. Name three plants in the South flower bed:
  - a)
  - b)
  - c)

**Now for some exercise!**

### **YEW TREES**

9. How many Yew trees are there in the Churchyard (*leave out small ones in the hedge*)?
10. Why were Yew trees planted in churchyards:
- a) to frighten the Devil?
  - b) to use the wood to make bows?
  - c) to keep cattle away because Yews can be poisonous?

### **Stand between the biggest Yew and the Tool Shed:**

11. Look around the ground for wildflowers. Try and identify as many as possible. You might find: Alkanet, Great Celandine, Daisy, Nettle.
- a) What have you found today?

What about mini beasts - identify them if you can and leave them to get on with their busy lives:

- b) Which mini beasts have you spotted?

### **TALL MEMORIAL**

**Go to the Tallest Memorial in the churchyard.**

12. Who is commemorated there?

### **SENSORY AREA**

**Find the sign for the Sensory Area at the East end.** Follow the path on your way and pass the bee hives in the copse to your left. Go quietly so as not to disturb them.

13. What do each of the five senses help you to enjoy?

**Now return up the path towards the church.**

### **At the end of the trail**

14. How did Teddington get its name? Does it come from:
- a) the old English tribal leader, Tuda? (it was known in Saxon and Norman times as Todyngton and Tutington)
  - b) Tide End Town?
  - c) a name given to the area by Oliver Cromwell?
15. Have you spotted any birds? Which ones?
16. What is the Churchyard connection with Stephen Hales (1677-1761)?  
Tip: West Door
- a) why was he famous and does he have a memorial?

**Return to the South Door** where you can leave your completed quiz.

*We are all in this together:*

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