



## Researchers Required!

### Want to know about The Model Village?

#### STUDENT INTRODUCTION

- ✓ You are going to be researchers today!
- ✓ Researchers find out information and often have to use old documents for this purpose.

**TASK:** Read the resources (texts) and answer the questions in your book.

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The Old Vicarage Gardens

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### GODSHILL

Open daily in—

April, May, June, early July and September — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Late July and August — 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Friday and Saturday to 5.30 p.m.). October — 10.30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Illuminated: Late July and August.

#### WHEN AND HOW

The original model village was first opened to the public in 1952 after some two years of preparation.

The present owners planned, and are still working on the new model of Godshill.

A major problem has been the many thatched roofs. It was decided that substitutes were not acceptable, and that the art of thatching in miniature would have to be mastered. Many thousands of tiny straw bundles and many working hours later, we feel the effort has been worthwhile.

#### GODSHILL from the GRIFFIN to the CHURCH ON THE HILL. (1/10th Scale)

As in the Village outside, the model of the Griffin public house stands at the beginning of the High Street, and in the distance the model of All Saints' Church on its hill, overlooks the Old Vicarage, and the shops in the square below.

On the other side of the Church is the group of three cottages, which are amongst the oldest, and certainly the most well known in Godshill, paintings and photographs of them having appeared in publications throughout the world.

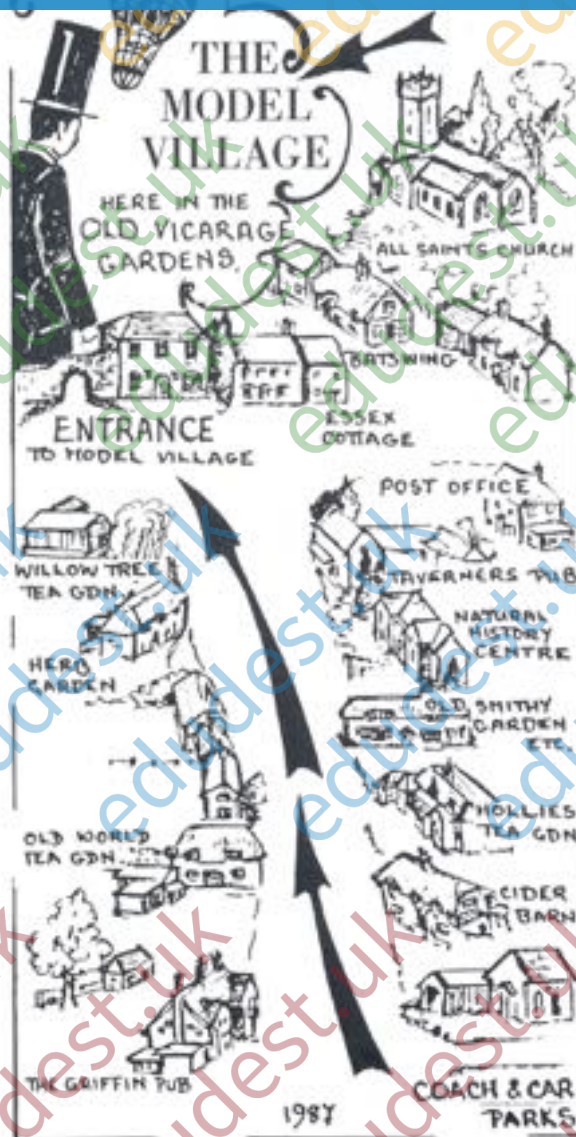
#### THE MODEL OF THE MODEL and of that MODEL (1/100th and 1/1000th Scale)

Having built the large 1/10th scale model of The Old Vicarage and its garden, we then had to start again, and build the model of the model village in this little garden. But on finishing, we had yet another rather smaller Old Vicarage with an empty garden. So once again...

#### SHANKLIN OLD VILLAGE and CHINE (1/10th Scale)

This is the subject of the original model village. This section commences at the pond, which represents the sea. The deep valley seen across the pond is the Chine, this with its stream runs right to the top of the garden.

From the Fishermans Cottage on the waters edge, to the "Old Church" at the far end, all the buildings are correctly placed in relationship to each other, and are modelled and named as they were in the late 1930's.



This is an informative flyer. Read it and then answer the questions on page 2.

## QUESTIONS on TEXT 1: THE OLD VICARAGE GARDENS

1. How many months of the year is the model village open to the public?
2. What is the latest time it was open in the evening?

### WHEN AND HOW

3. What year was the model village first opened?
4. What was the biggest problem in making the model village?

### GODSHILL 1/10th scale

5. What three buildings are mentioned in this paragraph?
6. Can you name 3 other places in GODSHILL model village that are not mentioned on this leaflet?

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8. Did you remember to draw the model village in the Old Vicarage Garden?

### THE MODEL OF THE MODEL

9. The model in the model garden was 10 times smaller than the Model Village. What scale was it?
10. This 1/100th size model also needed a model village in the garden, 10 times smaller again! What scale was this one?

### SHANKLIN OLD VILLAGE

*The original model village represented Shanklin, not Godshill.*

11. What was the pond supposed to represent?
12. What decade was the model based on?

### Key Vocabulary:

original

scale

represent

decade

### Extension Task for Thinkers

- If it were possible to carry on making models of models, how long would it go on for?
- If a further model of the 1/1000th scale model were made to a tenth of that size, what scale would it be?

## TEXT 2: THE OLD VICARAGE

This is an informative brochure.

Read it and then answer the questions on page 4.



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<p>Delightful and peaceful old house with beautiful garden.</p> <p>Bed and Breakfast only.</p> <p>Morning Tea and Evening Drinks available.</p> <p>Double Bed, Twin Bed, or Single Rooms, all with hot and cold water.</p> <p>Baths available at small extra charge.</p> <p>Comfortable TV Lounge, also Reading-room.</p> <p>Car Parking Space.</p> <p>Dogs welcome with their own baskets!</p> <p>Essex Cottage Restaurant next door—good and reasonable, lunches, evening meals and snacks.</p>	<p><b>TERMS</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="2">Per Night</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>Adults</th> <th>Children</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>May</td> <td>22/6</td> <td>12/6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>June</td> <td>25/-</td> <td>15/-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>July</td> <td>27/6</td> <td>17/6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>August</td> <td>27/6</td> <td>17/6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>September</td> <td>25/-</td> <td>15/-</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>This applies to children sharing a room either with each other or with parents.</p> <p>Where single accommodation is required, full price will be charged.</p> <p><i>10% Deposit secures booking</i></p>		Per Night			Adults	Children	May	22/6	12/6	June	25/-	15/-	July	27/6	17/6	August	27/6	17/6	September	25/-	15/-
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## QUESTIONS on TEXT 2: THE OLD VICARAGE

1. Who was the owner?
2. What word means owner?
3. What is her telephone number?

Read the next page of the leaflet.

4. What could you do at The Old Vicarage?
5. What two adjectives help to persuade the reader to stay there?

### Key Vocabulary:

researcher  
document  
resource  
vicarage  
monetary  
shilling

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Can you find the list of prices?

8. What do you notice?

In 1971, the UK changed its monetary system from pounds, shillings and pence to the decimal system we have today. The symbol /- means shilling:

e.g. 27/- means 27 shillings

22/6 means 22 shillings and sixpence

9. How many months was The Old Vicarage open to visitors?
10. Which month was the cheapest?

### Extension Task for Thinkers

There is no date on this brochure but what gives us a clue to its age?

It must be before \_\_\_\_\_.

The reason for this is \_\_\_\_\_.



## TEACHER ANSWER SHEET

### Answers to Text 1

1. 5 months
2. 9pm (July and August)
3. 1952
4. Making the thatched roofs
5. The Griffin Public house, All Saints' church, the Old Vicarage
6. Refer to memories of visit
7. Drawing task
- 8.
9. 1/100th
10. 1/1000th
11. The sea

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1. Mrs P.L.Batt
2. Proprietress
3. Godshill 270
4. Stay over night
5. Delightful, peaceful
6. A dog basket/bed
7. Essex Cottage Restaurant
8. The money is not written in decimal money /pounds and pence.
9. 5 months
10. May

### Extension Task

It must be before 1971

The reason for this is that the monetary system changed in 1971 and so shillings were no longer used after this date.

