

5. The monks who came from York and founded Fountains Abbey were B....., but in October 1135 Fountains was accepted into the C..... order.
6. What did the money from wool pay for?
 - a)
 - b)
 - c)
 - d)
7. What was the disease Fountains Abbey's sheep caught in the late 13th century?
8. In 1291 the Abbey owed £..... to foreign wool merchants. This would be nearly £6m today!
9. What were the names of the commissioners who visited Fountains to gather evidence of wrongdoing?
10. On what date did Abbot Bradley sign the Deed of Surrender?
11. The annual pension for the Abbot was £....., the Prior £..... and the other monks even less.
Does this seem fair? Yes/No
Why do you think there was such a difference?

Before you leave Porter's Lodge look at the model. Made in the 1950s, it shows how the model-maker thought that Fountains Abbey may have looked.

Fountains Abbey Mill and Porter's Lodge Trail



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Name

Find these answers in the Mill.

Start downstairs in the first room. The questions follow the route around the mill.

1. How many monks would 3.5 kg of grain feed?
2. From where did the monks quarry their mill stones?
3. List two tools used by stone masons.

Top floor

4. Name 3 herbs eaten by the monks.
5. What was the main part of all of the monks' meals?
6. How much cider or beer were the monks allowed each day?

As they followed St Benedict's Rule, the monks were expected to 'respect the silence' and so used sign language.

7. What do these signs mean?



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8. Who did the manual labour at the abbey?

Top floor – middle room

Look in the flip books as well as the artefact cases.

9. Which Abbot wore his initial on his thumb?

10. What were 3 uses for an oyster shell?

11. How did an Abbot know the letter from the Pope in Rome contained good or bad news before he opened it?

12. What did the monks use to make
a) black ink
b) hooks
c) quills

13. In what year was the abbey closed, and who was responsible for closing it?

14. When the Abbey sold its wool how did the people at customs know that a tax had been paid?

15. What evidence is there for piped water in the Abbey?

Now leave the mill by the stairs.

Outside the Mill

Look around the outside of the Mill - for any pieces of historical graffiti carved into the stone. Also find evidence that the Mill has changed over time. Write them here.

What evidence is there that the Mill used to be a lot bigger?

Find these answers in the Porter's Lodge.

1. As well as welcoming guests, what were the porter's duties?
2. Look at the 'Table of the Spheres between Heaven and Hell'. What did they believe was at the centre?
3. In which year did Archbishop Thurstan give land in the Skell valley for a new monastery?
4. How long did the return journey to Citeaux in France take?