



What do you know about villages?



What is a village?

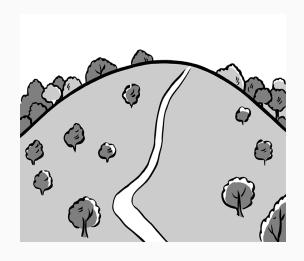
Tell your partner 3 things you know about a village.







How to make a village in 3 easy steps











Step 1: Find a suitable place for your village

- Flamstead is built on a hill.
- It is close to the Roman road called Watling Street.
- The Romans built the city of Verulamium, now called St Albans.
- After the Romans left Britain, the area around the city became lawless.

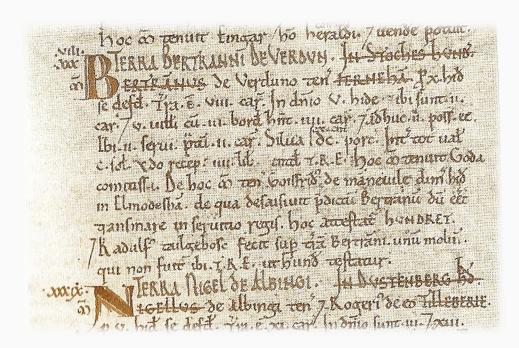






A village named in the Domesday Book

- In 1086 Flamstead belonged to the de Tony family
- It was a reward for Ralph de Tony
- He fought in the Battle of Hastings in 1066 for William the Conqueror
- We know this from the Domesday Book.



Detail of a page from the Domesday Book.





Flamstead in 1086

The Domesday Book says there are

- 22 villagers
- 7 cottagers
- 4 slaves

It says Flamstead has

- 12 fields or ploughlands and woodland
- one thousand pigs



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The page of the Domesday book listing Flamstead.

Step 2: Build a church



- The stone church was built to worship God
- It was also a way for the Lord of the Manor to show how important and rich he was.



(Lord of the Manor - landowner)



Lord of the Manor of Flamstead





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Christina of Markyate



Christina of Markyate

- Flamstead was thought of as an important religious place because of Christina of Markyate.
- She lived near the site of the Church.
- In the 12th Century she was often visited by abbots of St Albans to ask for her advice.

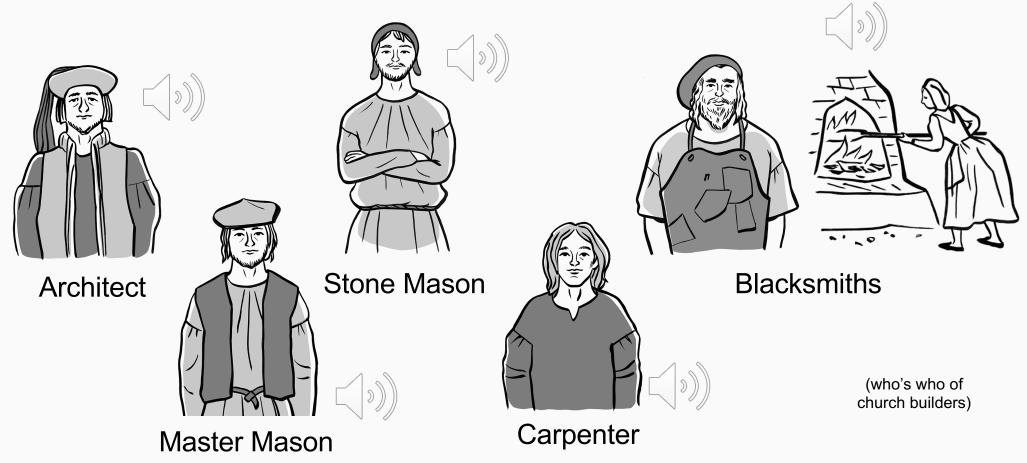


(St Leonard & Christina of Markyate)





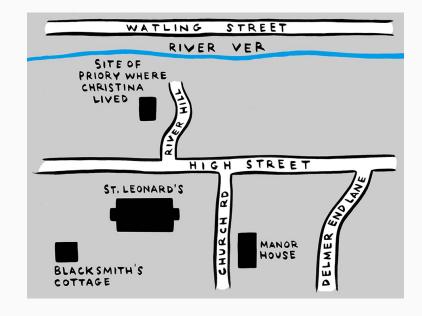
Who lived and worked in Flamstead?



Living Histories, Lasting Journeys Sharing the heritage of St Leonard's Flamstead

Traces of Flamstead's History Today

- Today you can see evidence of where these people may have lived
- Blacksmith's Cottage is at the edge of the Churchyard
- Was this the old site of the blacksmith's forge who worked on St Leonard's Church?
- What could other cottages have been called?







Step 3: Grow a community

- In 1299 Robert de Todeni was granted permission to hold a market in Flamstead every Thursday
- Travellers would stop to rest as they made their way along Watling Street to London or the Midlands
- Around the same time a fair was held each November to celebrate St Leonard



(St Leonard & Christina of Markyate)

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Of Leonard

A community growing alongside St Leonard's

- The Village grew as the church building grew
- People worshipped in the Church
- They gathered in the Church for special events.







Flamstead today

The Village of Flamstead has

- about 1300 residents
- 1 shop
- 3 pubs
- 1 school
- 2 churches
- Many community groups / events



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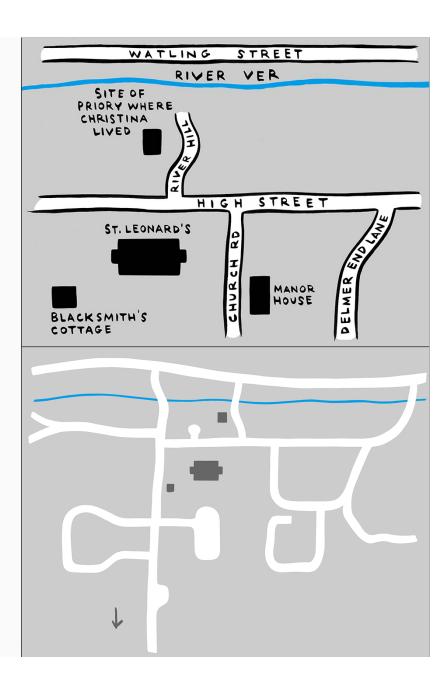
Task 1: Flamstead then and now

Look at these two maps. The top one shows Flamstead in medieval times; the bottom one shows modern-day Flamstead.

- What differences can you see between these two maps?
- Look at the street names of Flamstead today on <u>Google Maps</u>. What do they tell us about the history of Flamstead?







Task 2: What has St Leonard's Church seen?

If St Leonard's Church could talk, what would it tell us about Flamstead?



(Master Mason)



Master Mason

Create a Mind Map





Task 3: Send a postcard from medieval Flamstead

- Imagine you are a visitor to Flamstead and St Leonard's Church in medieval times
- Draw a picture on a postcard and write on the back what you have seen



