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The Walsingham Pilgrim Voices project is an ongoing work to gather the experiences and thoughts of pilgrims who visit the Shrine.

This booklet accompanies the videos.

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Possible Questions to explore:

- Why go on a pilgrimage?
- Why come to Walsingham in particular?
- Does pilgrimage help you draw close to God? How?
- What difference has going on pilgrimage made to your life?
- Does everyone have to go on a pilgrimage?
- Do you have to be a certain age to go on a pilgrimage?
- What might you do on a pilgrimage to Walsingham?



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Activity bank:

1. Watch video question 1. make a note of questions this raises for you. Make a class bank of questions.
2. Watch videos 2 and 3. Do these answer any of your questions?
3. Discuss how we could find answers if questions are not answered.
4. Make a case study of one of the pilgrims featured. What are their motivations and experiences of pilgrimage?
5. Draw a 3 ringed Venn diagram. Label each hoop 'Belief', 'Practice', 'Culture'. Make notes from the video clips of aspects of the pilgrims' experiences which fit into each heading or overlap.
6. Using the grid below, watch the video clips and make note under each of the headings (may need to watch the clips multiple times).

Why?	Who?	When?	Results?
e.g. Why do people go on pilgrimage?	e.g. demographics	e.g. How often?	e.g. How do pilgrims feel at and after Walsingham?

SCHOOL VISITS AT THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

We offer a number of educational programmes to suit various age groups; most of these last a whole day (usually 10.00am to 2.30pm, but timings can be adapted to suit your needs). Whatever else may be provided, our programmes always explore the theme of pilgrimage and include a visit to the Shrine Church. We also have a range of resources to support teaching including teacher guides and videos available on our website.

Residential visits offer greater scope for planning an extended programme and we can tailor-make a package to suit the needs of your students.

Visits are led by our team of experienced and qualified teachers.

*“ We had a wonderful day.
We always come back
feeling so refreshed as it is
such a special place. ”*

*“ Nothing was too much
trouble and you were all so
flexible. A wonderful
experience, we will be back. ”*



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