



First I mapped out some teen activity ideas.

I thought about what I like doing (as a 13-year-old) and what my friends might like to do.

I thought about the types of things we like to do and then turned them into possible activities.



I then mapped out some younger children activity ideas.

I spoke to my cousins (8 and 12) and niece (4) about what they like to do.

Using the things the like to do I then turned them into possible activities.

Feedback on activity ideas (families with children) (28 children)

Using the activity ideas, I asked a class of primary school children aged 8/9 years which of my activity ideas they most liked. This graph shows the most popular activities.

(Additional activity information was given to the children when completing the survey but for the graph just the activity theme has been included).



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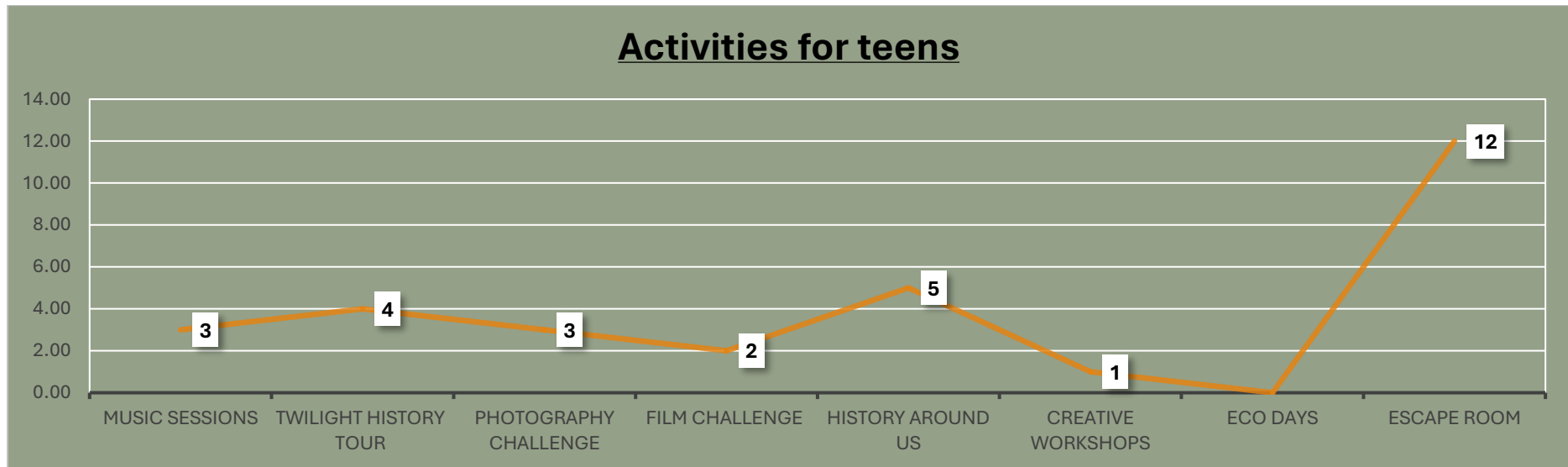
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Feedback on activity ideas for teens (30 teens)

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After the surveys, I made my activity ideas better to include prizes, awards and rewards because these were mentioned by both age groups. For families, I added stamp cards, puzzles and certificates to encourage people to take part. For teenagers, I included opportunities for creative writing, poetry, photography and local musicians. This helped the activities match the interests of the groups you asked me to look at.

Top 3 families with children activities

1. Story time at All Saints Church

Story time sessions based on the history of All Saints Church and Sandon village. After the story, children can complete a puzzle or quiz linked to what they have learned. Each completed activity earns a stamp on a stamp card, and children who collect a certain number of stamps can receive a certificate or small prize.

2. Animal and Treasure Hunt

Children and their families follow clues around the church and churchyard to find hidden animals, historical features and treasures. Puzzle solving tasks can be included at each checkpoint to make the activity more interactive. Those who complete the hunt could receive a sticker, certificate or small prize. Families could also collect stamps on a church explorer card each time they complete a challenge. This could encourage people to come back.

3. Explorer Packs

Explorer packs would contain maps, activity sheets, pencils and challenges linked to the church's history and wildlife. Families can earn stamps for completing activities such as spotting church features, identifying wildlife and solving puzzles. Completing a full explorer pack could lead to a certificate, encouraging children to take part and return for future activities.

Top 3 Teen activities

1. Escape Room: The Church Mystery

Teenagers work in teams to solve clues based on the history of All Saints Church before time runs out. The challenge could include hidden messages, puzzles and historical mysteries (maybe a bit like horrible histories). Teams with the fastest times could receive certificates or prizes.

2. History Around Us Challenge

Teenagers investigate the history of the church and local area through photography, creative writing or poetry. They could create short poems, stories, social media posts or photo displays inspired by local history. Entries could be judged and awards given for creativity, research and presentation.

3. Twilight History Tour

An evening tour of the church and churchyard where teenagers hear stories about local history and explore the site using lanterns or torches. The event could include a photography challenge, quiz questions and creative tasks. Local musicians or bands could perform at the end of the event, creating a unique atmosphere. They could earn certificates or prizes for completing challenges during the tour.

Extra idea

One extra idea I had after taking part in the bluebell walk. I noticed that there were no children on the walk, but there seemed to be lots of people that may have children or grandchildren. During the walk we took some beautiful pictures of the bluebells so you could do a photography challenge. Anyone who takes a photo can upload it to the church social media page and then a winner is selected. They could win a small prize. Or you could have a drawing/colouring area in the church so after the walk, when all the adults are drinking coffee and eating cake the children could be drawing what they saw on the walk. These could then be displayed in the church.