



I - Spy: Windows



Name: _____ Date: _____ Place visited: _____ Total Points: ____/150

Next time you visit a city or town take a look around at the buildings you see. Can you spot any interesting or unusually shaped windows? Use this sheet to record the windows you see.

You could take a photograph and paste it onto the sheet or you could draw a thumbnail sketch. Each type of window spotted is worth points so don't forget to **add up your total**. Happy hunting!

<p>Oculus Window (40 point score)</p> <p>Remember Oculus windows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• are round.• are often used as decorative features on buildings.• are also known as bull's eye or ox eye windows. <p>Score an extra 10 BONUS POINTS if you know what the Latin word oculus means.</p> <p>Answer: _____</p>	<p>Where spotted:</p>	<p>Sketch/Photo:</p>
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<p>Sash Window (Two or four window panes) (10 point score)</p> <p>As a general guide older sash windows tended to have more small, square panes of glass in them. As their design improved over time this reduced to as little as four or even two panes of glass for the whole window.</p>	<p>Where spotted:</p>	<p>Sketch/Photo:</p>
<p>Sash Window (Twelve or more window panes) (40 point score)</p> <p>It is less common to see original surviving sash windows with lots of smaller panes of glass in them as these are usually much older.</p>	<p>Where spotted:</p>	<p>Sketch/Photo:</p>

<p>Stained Glass Window (50 point score)</p> <p>Stained glass windows have been used to decorate buildings for many centuries. It is quite common to find them in buildings such as churches and cathedrals. However it is also possible to find them on secular (non-religious) buildings too.</p> <p>Where spotted:</p> <p>Is this a secular building?</p>	<p>Sketch/Photo:</p>
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Top Tips:

If you cannot visit a town or city to hunt for unusual windows why not try the following:

SINE website

You could search through the image collection to find pictures of buildings which have interesting or unusual windows. To get you started here are a few you may want to look at:

- The Old Rectory, Houghton-le-Spring
- St Michael's Church, Bishop Middleham
- Bruce Building, University of Newcastle upon Tyne

Search Engines

Try using a search engine such as Google to find websites with pictures of different types of window. Enter a search using terms such as:

- Stained glass windows
- Historic windows

TOP TIP: If the search engine allows it try using the image search option to see what pictures you can find.

Library

In your school or local library look for books about the following:

- Architecture
- Historic Buildings
- Books about your local area (local history books or collections of photographs of the area)

TOP TIP: Try to pick books which have lots of illustrations/pictures which you can easily photocopy.