

Monday's Answers For the History

WILF: I CAN ANSWER QUESTIONS WHICH EXPLORE WHY WOLLATON HALL IS A HISTORICALLY IMPORTANT BUILDING.
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LOOK AT THIS STATEMENT.

1. Wollaton Hall is an example of a prodigy house.

USE THE INFORMATION FROM WIKIPEDIA
TO ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS:

- What is a prodigy house?
- Large, showy country house built during Tudor, Elizabethan or Jacobean times by wealthy people, often to house the monarch when they visited the area.
- Why do you think Sir Francis Willoughby wanted a house built like this?
- He wanted Elizabeth I to come and stay there. He wanted to show off his wealth.

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2. In a recent book about England's best houses Wollaton Hall was described as "the architectural sensation of its age".

USE THE HISTORY SECTION OF THE WOLLATON HALL WEBSITE TO ANSWER THESE:

- Use a dictionary or web search to find out what **architecture** is.
- the art or practice of designing and constructing buildings
- Who is thought to have been the architect of Wollaton Hall?
- Robert Smythson
- What other important houses did he also design?
- Longleat in Wiltshire, Hardwick Hall in Derbyshire
- What about its design makes Wollaton Hall 'distinctive' and therefore a 'sensation of its age'?
- the exuberant decoration (the detail on the outside)

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Wollaton Hall is often described as one of the finest Elizabethan mansions.

CARRY OUT YOUR OWN RESEARCH TO ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS:

- Who was the monarch (king or queen) in Elizabethan times?
- Elizabeth I
- Find 3 facts about this monarch.
- Time to share ...