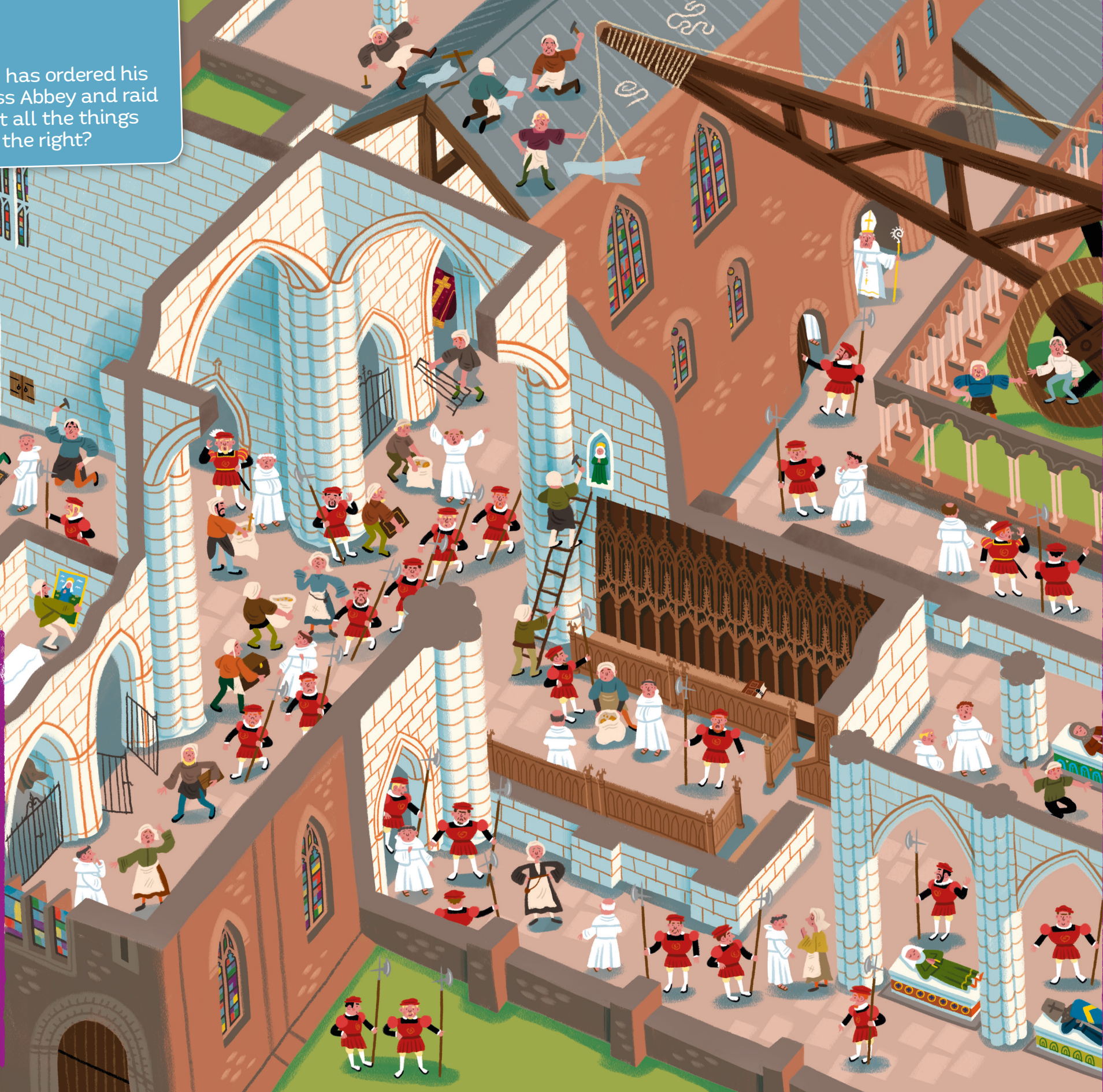


Abbey attack!

It's 1537 and King Henry VIII has ordered his officials to demolish Furness Abbey and raid its belongings. Can you spot all the things around the abbey listed on the right?

The story of Furness Abbey

Furness Abbey in Cumbria was the largest and richest monastery in north-west England. It was founded by the future King Stephen, and its story goes back to 1124. The monks divided their days into periods of prayer, study and manual labour. In about 1200 the abbey was home to a monk called Jocelyn, who wrote several books – one describes how St Patrick banished snakes from Ireland. Pilgrims visited a statue of the Virgin Mary at the abbey, and many rich people were buried there. In 1537, Henry VIII ordered the abbey's closure. He seized all its valuables and its buildings fell into ruin.



THINGS TO SPOT



Vestment



Monk



Chalice



Soldier



Blanket



Poor widow



Book of hours



Abbot