

Questions on Harvie's potted town descriptions

A. St. Andrews

Who was Andrew Melville ?

What was the function of the Kirk session?

How long did *the dynasty* influence Scottish history?

What is the most famous building enterprise that William Playfair started?

Explain: Culdee; *Aber* as in *Abernethy*, *Aberdeen*, *Aberdour*; convent-monastery; scholar; *contagion of foreign heresies*; see; stepping stone; at the hands of; desecration; *quarried to vanishing point*; fornicator; petty; temple of the game; colonial magnate.

B. Glasgow

What do the two Celtic names *Kentigern* and *Mungo* mean?

What is the name of Glasgow's cathedral?

Translate the quotation from Scott's *Rob Roy* into Modern English.

Where is Lancashire?

What is the *Central Belt*?

When was the railway age ?

Find out about the Kailyard school.

"...but on a very specialised industrial base"(157): what does this concessive clause imply?

Explain: the tidal Clyde; the estuaries of the rivers Forth and Clyde; bread riot; skilled worker; shipwright; boilermaker; turn o's hand to; according to his lights; the hell-fire of grim churches;

C. Dundee

Give a brief characterisation of Chartism and imperialism.

Did Theodor Fontane visit Scotland?

What is the connection between whale fishery and the jute industry?

Explain this sentence: "The Flemings went from the shop floor to the City in one generation, and to James Bond in three"

Explain in political terms the meaning of "Dundee was radical".

What is *Our Wullie*?

Explain the meaning of : jute baron, investment trust, enfranchised, folksy, obituarist.

D. Aberdeen and Buchan

What is the pre-dominant colour of the buildings in Aberdeen ?

"Why has Aberdeen been at once local and European" ?

Where are the distilleries of Speyside and what do they produce?

What are the achievements of J.M. Barrie, A.S. Neill, George MacDonald and Grassic Gibbon

Explain the meaning of : steam drifters, steam trawlers, lads o' pairts, tinker