



KYLEMORE ABBHEY®

**A story so timeless,
it's still being written.**

Student Name:

Class/Subject:

Date of Visit:

Historical Context

1. Research and Observation:
As you explore the estate, identify evidence of the historical influence.

Historical Influence	Evidence You Observed
Victorian Architecture	
Religious Heritage	
Landscape Design	
Irish Cultural History	

Historical Context

2. Reflection Question:

Why do you think estates like Kylemore Abbey became symbols of wealth and status during the Victorian Era?

Architecture & Design

1. Identify three architectural features you noticed inside or outside the castle:

Feature

Purpose/Effect

2. Material & Construction:

What materials were used in the castle? Why would these materials have been chosen?

Architecture & Design

3. Preservation and Conservation.
Historic buildings require ongoing
conservation.

In your opinion:

- What challenges might a conservation team face?
- Why is restoration important?

Architecture & Design

4. Historical Object Observation:

Choose one historical object, room, or artefact from the castle and fill in the table.

Notes

Observation	
Description	
Materials Used	
Possible Purpose	
Historical Significance	

The Benedictine Community

The Benedictine Nuns have played an important role in Kylemore Abbey's history.

1. Research Prompt:

What contribution have the Benedictine Community made to education and Irish Society?

The Benedictine Community

2. Discussion Question:

How do historic sites balance tourism with preserving spiritual and cultural identity?

The Benedictine Community

1. Identify and explain two Gothic Revival features you observed in the church:

Feature

Purpose/Effect

The Benedictine Community

Religious buildings often use architecture to create emotion and meaning.

How does the design of the Gothic Church create atmosphere or reflect spirituality?

Consider:

- Light
- Height
- Materials
- Decoration
- Silence and Space

Victorian Walled Garden

1. Observe the Victorian Walled Garden carefully.

List examples of:

Type of Plant	
Decorative Plant	
Edible Plant	
Native Species	

Victorian Walled Garden

2. Victorian Gardening Techniques

Why were walled gardens effective during the Victorian times?

Consider:

- Climate Control
- Food Production
- Aesthetics
- Self-Sufficiency

Landscape & Environment

2. Human Impact:

How can tourism positively and negatively affect natural heritage sites?

Positive Impact

Negative Impact

Legends & Folklore

Local stories and folklore are an important part of Irish Cultural Heritage.

1. Why do you think legends connected to places survive for generations?

Legends & Folklore

2. Creative Analysis:

How can folklore shape the identity of a place like Kylemore Abbey?
