

Welcome to the



SILLY-STREET-NAMES

trail

It's a fun way to discover York's iconic sights and hidden corners, perfect for curious families of all ages. Our self-led trail is good fun, with plenty of surprises and silly street names to spot along the way.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

- Follow the route on the map and see how many snickelways you can sneak down.
- Start and finish wherever suits you - it's your adventure!
- Keep your eyes peeled for York's quirkiest street names along the way.
- Make it even more fun by joining in with the activities as you go. Why not stop for something tasty to eat or drink en route? You'll be going past lots of lovely independent cafes, so give them a try!
- Run out of time? No problem - it's the perfect excuse to come back and explore again. When you're done, pop into the Visit York Information Centre on Parliament Street during opening hours to claim your sticker (while stocks last!).

1 PARLIAMENT ST

Pretend you're running York for the day. What silly rule would you make? Vote on the best suggestion, and make it official!

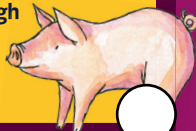


2 NETHER HORNPO T LANE

York has a long and exciting history! It was once a Roman town called Eboracum and later a Viking town called Jorvik. It's famous for its chocolate makers too!

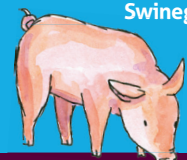
3 FINKLE ST

Finkle Street used to be nicknamed 'Mucky Pig Lane' because pigs used to be herded through it (smelly!)



4 SWINEGATE

Snort like a pig every time you see something pink on Swinegate.



5 GRAPE LANE

How many fruits can you name in 60 seconds?



6 COFFEE YARD

Barley Hall was home to wealthy people in medieval times. Who would you invite to a banquet?



22 LADY PECKETT'S YARD

Take a family selfie! Congratulations, you've made it to the end!



21 WHIP-MA-WHOP-MA-GATE

Whip-ma-whop-ma-gate is one of the shortest streets in the world (and definitely has the silliest name!)



20 SAINT CRUX PASSAGE

Some say the Shambles inspired Diagon Alley from Harry Potter. What do you think?



19 SHAMBLES

Spot the cat on the building as you walk down the street



18 KING'S SQUARE

One person becomes King or Queen of the Trail for 3 minutes. Make up a silly royal rule everyone must follow.



17 MAD ALICE LANE

Make up a funny street name using your own name - like Bonkers Ben Boulevard or Wiggly Wendy Way. The sillier, the better! What would your street be called?

16 ST ANDREW GATE

In York, some place names come from Viking times! For example, 'Bar' means gate or entrance, and 'Gate' means street. How many streets can you see ending in 'gate'?

15 BEDERN HALL

In Victorian times, York became famous for making chocolate, and it still is today! Some of your favourite sweet treats were first made right here in the city.



14 BARTLE GARTH

Pick a door and imagine what's behind it - is it a dragon's laundry room? A wizard's teapot shop?



13 GOODRAMGATE

York's known as the most haunted city in Europe (but we've never seen any ghosts!)



12 COLLEGE ST

Walk along the 'stepping stones' without falling off (the floor is lava!)



How many snickelways can you sneak down?!



7 STONEGATE

Who will be first to spot the star on Stonegate? Tip - look up!



8 PETERGATE

Snickelways are narrow, winding paths between buildings in York, often dating back to medieval times.



9 LITTLE PECULIAR LANE

Who can do the silliest walk through the passage?



10 PRECENTOR'S COURT

York Minster has a lot of bells, and the biggest one is called Great Peter. See if you can hear them ring!



11 DEAN'S PARK

York Minster is famous for its incredible stained glass windows. Some of these windows are over 800 years old!

