

Creative writing challenge: countryside walk

Here's a picture of a photograph in one of the museum's special exhibitions, Place to Place. The photograph shows walkers and a pony on a track near Walbury Hill and Combe Gibbet, North Wessex Downs. The photograph dates from the mid to late 20th century. Walbury Hill is the highest point in West Berkshire so had a fantastic view over the county and the adjoining ones, and on its summit is an Iron Age hillfort called Walbury Camp. Combe Gibbet stands on the nearby Gallows Down. The gibbet's purpose was to display the bodies of hung criminals but we are aware of it only being used once in the late 17th century.

Imagine you are going to take a walk around Walbury Hill and Combe Gibbet. Make a guide, plotting your walk and describing what you will see and do. You might like to research online about Walbury Hill, Combe Gibbet and the surrounding area. You can include pictures in your guide.

