Can you put these events in order to tell the story of the capture of Archbishop Alphege.

Canterbury Cathedral Learning Resource

Worksheet 04

Archbishop Alphege


a. Pilgrims came to visit his tomb next to the High Altar in the Cathedral.
b. The Vikings took Alphege hostage and took him to their base in Greenwich.
c. In 1011 the Vikings invaded Kent and came to the Cathedral to steal their wealth.
d. King Canute took Alphege’s body back to Canterbury Cathedral where he was buried.
e. When Canterbury tried to pay the ransom money Alphege refused to be ransomed.
f. His body was taken to Saint Paul’s Cathedral in London where it stayed until 1023.
g. Saint Alphege became the Archbishop of Canterbury in 1005.
h. One night the Vikings attacked Alphege with ox bones and killed him.