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Design and make a stained glass window

The Trinity Chapel at the far East end of the Cathedral once house the shrine of St Thomas. It is decorated with a series of stained glass windows that tell the stories of some of the pilgrims who came to visit the shrine and the miracles they received.



Some of these windows tell the story of Bobby of Rochester.

Can you match the right picture to the right part of the story?

Unfortunately the windows for parts 4 and 5 of the story have not survived.

Can you draw what you think they would have looked like?



What are the main messages of this story?

Why did the Cathedral want pilgrims to see the miracles St Thomas had done?

1. Robert and his friends go down to the River Medway to play. They start throwing stones at frogs and Robert falls in.



2. Robert's friends run to tell his parents.



3. Robert is dragged lifeless from the River, his parents are distraught.



4. Robert is hung upside down and rolled in a tub but he still appears dead.



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5. His mother measures him and offers St Thomas an equal length of silver wire if Robert recovers (this is very expensive). Miraculously he does!

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Think of a modern miracle that you may have come across in the news or elsewhere.

How could you show this in stained glass window?

Divide the story into key sections (beginning, middle and end, etc.). Each of these can be a frame in your window.

What messages are you trying to get across?

