

Amy Hill Autograph Book Cleeve Hill Hospital 1914 -1919

“Do Not Expect Me Home Tonight”

Have a good look at this little cartoon. It was drawn by one of the soldiers who were convalescing at Cleeve Hill hospital in Frenchay during the First World War.



What is happening in this little sketch? A man is playing a banjo sitting on a punt in a river. There is a sign on the bank pointing 'To The Weir'.

Is he in the town or country? Country as you can see the field, trees and hedges in the back ground.

Is it summer or winter? Summer as he has his jacket off.

What is a weir? It is a sort of 'step' in the water that creates a deep pool above and rapids as the water rushes over the top. It is for controlling the water levels for fishing.

Activity: 1 English

Write a short story about what happens next.

Activity: 2 Art

Draw your own postcard size cartoon in this style with the title:

'Do not expect me home tonight'

Or use this one to draw what happens next in a series of 'strip' cartoon images.

Use:

Fine black pen and Coloured pencils or watercolour pencils.

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