

**Hutchins` History and Antiquities of Dorset, Extra**  
**Illustrated Edition children`s Activity Sheet.**

Unscramble the words in bold below to find out about the Rev John Hutchins and his book:

The Reverend John **UCSIHHTN** was born in Bradford Peverell in on 21<sup>st</sup> September 1698. He lived nearly all of his life in **EORDST**. After training to become a priest his first job was as the curate of **LINOMT BBASA**. It was whilst he was at Milton Abbas that he decided to start working on a **STIHRYO** of the County, a work that would take him the rest of his life to complete. It was very difficult to get information about all the **RAPSSIHE** of Dorset in the 1700`s. Hutchins wrote many **STTLERE** asking people to send him information and had to make long trips to libraries in cities such as **XORFDO** and **OLNDNO**. Hutchins was made vicar for the parishes of Swyre and Melcombe Horsey. As these were **SLMLA** parishes he still had plenty of time to do research for his book. Then in 1744 he was made rector of **RAHWMEA**. This was a much larger parish and took up much more of his **TEMI**. Work on the history became very slow and all his efforts were nearly for nothing when his manuscript was nearly destroyed by the great **REIF** of Wareham. The work was finally published in 1774, although sadly Hutchins did not **VEIL** to see this. `Hutchin`s History and Antiquities of Dorset` is one of the most used book in our reference **BRIYARL**.

### The Monmouth Rebellion

In 1685 the Duke of Monmouth, the illegitimate son of King Charles I, landed in Lyme Regis and attempted to take the crown. He was supported by many men from the West Country, but the rebellion was defeated at the Battle of Sedgemoor. Those who took part were hunted down and many, including the Duke were executed.



This picture, which can be found in volume four of the Extra Illustrated Edition of Hutchins` book, shows the Duke disguising himself as a shepherd to escape the forces pursuing him.

**If you had been one of those fighting with the Duke how would you have avoided being arrested? Can you draw a picture of a disguise you might have worn?**

## Thomas Coram

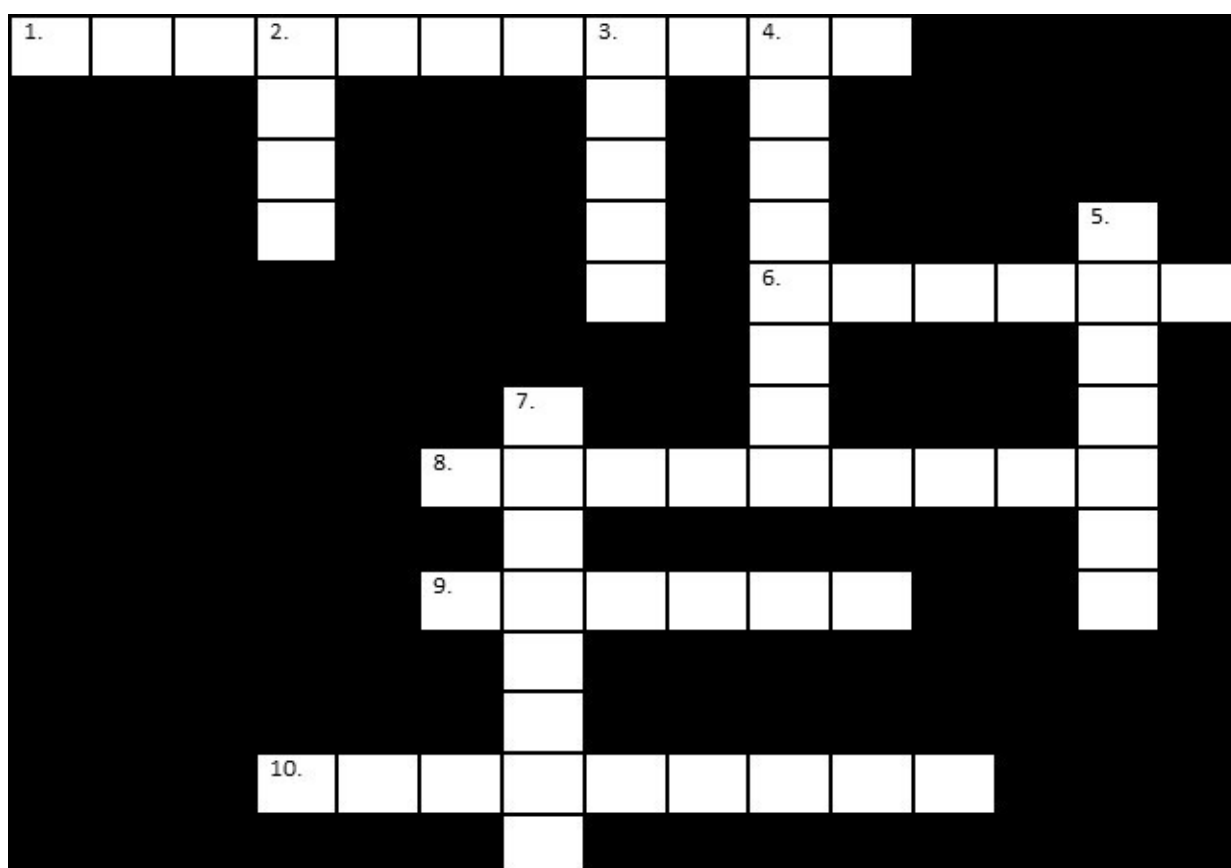
Thomas Coram is best known for his role in establishing the Foundling Hospital in London. His portraits, pictures of the hospital he founded and a letter written by him feature in Volume 4 of Hutchins Extra Illustrated. Can you solve this Coram related crossword?

Across:

1. A man who builds boats. Coram was apprenticed to one of these at the age of sixteen. (10)
6. The age at which Thomas Coram was sent to sea. (6)
8. Children abandoned on the streets, who Coram build his hospital for. (9)
9. The American city where the tea party took place. This was where Thomas Coram met his wife Eunice. (6)
10. The Dorset town where Thomas Coram was born. Other famous people associated with this place include Jane Austen and Mary Anning. (4,5)

Down:

2. The word missing from this quote by Thomas Coram (4) : *I have not wasted the little wealth of which I was formerly possessed in self-indulgence and vain expenses, and am not ashamed to confess, that, in this my old age, I am \_\_\_\_\_*
3. The word missing from this quote by Thomas Coram (5): *An Evil amongst us here in England is to think Girls having learning given them is not so very Material as for boys to have it. I think and say it is more Material for \_\_\_\_\_,*
4. What word is missing from this description of Coram by his friend Richard Brocklesby (8): *'a rather hot-\_\_\_\_\_, downright sailorlike man, of unmistakable honesty and sterling goodness of heart.*
5. An American State. The last of the original 13 colonies to be founded. Thomas Coram was a trustee of this colony until he fell out with his fellow trustees, possibly over his belief that women and men should have equal inheritance rights. (7)
7. A name for the part of America controlled by the British used in Coram's time. The \_\_\_\_\_ (8)





Start at the red arrow and trace the line around the maze. As you pass the letters place the letters into the spaces below.

A handwriting practice sheet featuring seven sets of three horizontal dashed lines. Each set is designed for tracing practice and includes a dot and a comma placed at specific intervals along the lines.

Can you design your own maze in the space below?

### **Weird Customs**

You can find many weird customs in Hutchins' book including the fact that the Landlord of the Red Lion had to attend a court in Bindon each year accompanied by a one-eyed dog; or that if the King marched to war against either Scotland or Wales, the owner of a piece of land in Bry-anston had to furnish him with 'a man to walk before him without any other cloaths than his shirt and drawers; holding in one hand *a bow without a string*, and in the other an *arrow without a feather*'

**Can you invent your own tradition?**