

Tomb of Miguel de Cervantes found

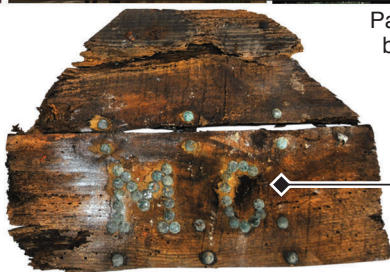
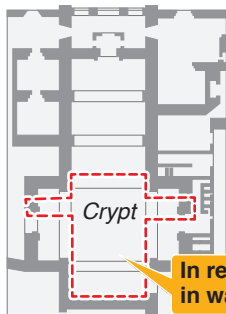
Forensic scientists believe they have found the remains of literary giant Miguel de Cervantes, nearly 400 years after his death. Although too badly deteriorated to allow individual identification, researchers are confident that some of the bones found belong to the author of *Don Quixote*



Convent of Trinitarians: Cervantes buried here after his death in 1616, but remains were lost during reconstruction work in late 17th century



Church



Part of a casket bearing initials "M.C." found in 2014

In recent months researchers have found 33 alcoves in wall of crypt underneath convent chapel



■ Cervantes' remains, mixed up with those of wife **Catalina de Salazar** and 13 other corpses, thought to be in tomb identified as No. 32 (left)

■ Researchers hope to test bone fragments for DNA but could encounter difficulties as there are no known descendants of Cervantes to test samples against