

The Victorians - What was life like for children in Victorian times?

Cause	Change	Evidence
Why did education and work laws for children change during Victorian times?	How did their lives change during the Victorian era? Was it the same for all children?	Why is there more evidence/sources of information about the Victorian times compared to the Fire of London? What can we learn from the objects, pictures and other documents? Can you use the sources of evidence to explain how life changed during Victorian times?
Intro to The Victorians – mindmaps, what do we know/what do we want to find out? Look at photographs of the period – what do you notice/how can you tell that this was taken a long time ago? Who was Queen Victoria? Where did she reign? General intro to Empire. Which countries were part of the Victorian Empire? Why was there an empire?		
Rich/poor families – compare life for rich and poor children. What were their homes/clothes/toys like? How were they similar or different from toys we play with today? How did it vary from rich to poor families and why?		
Children at work. What jobs did children do in Victorian times? Who went to work? How can we learn about what it was like? What changed for working children during this period and why?		
Victorian schools Who went to school in Victorian times? What were schools like? How were they similar or different to schools now? How and why did schools change over the Victorian period? Who did that effect and why?		
Inventions What was invented and when? How did inventions during the Victorian period affect people's lives? How did they impact on children?		