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Victorian Valleys

KS2: History



Victorian Valleys

Throughout the valleys of Victorian Wales the rapidly growing industries of Iron, Coal and Rail brought great changes to both the landscape and the way that people lived.

A visit to our site, the former Elliot Colliery coal mine, is a fantastic place to investigate what life was like for ordinary working people in the Victorian era.

Based on the daily lives of those living in the 1890s, we use object handling, costumes, firsthand accounts and role play to interpret the experiences of men, women and children.

Your group will **discover** more about the working conditions in coal mines and why children were banned from working there. They will **explore** Victorian childhood by taking part in a Victorian school day and trying their toys.

They will **experience** domestic service by taking part in a washday and butter making.

Learning outcomes and curriculum links:

Victorian Valleys looks at daily life in the 19th Century. Pupils will investigate the experiences of working class men, women and children.

Historical skills

Pupils will be given opportunities to:

1. Develop skills in chronological awareness.
2. Identify the ways in which the past is represented and interpreted
3. Develop historical knowledge and understanding, identifying differences between ways of life at different times.

What's the plan for the day?

An example timetable is shown below:

Time	Activity
10:00	Welcome
10:15	Men at Work
11:30	Lunch
12:00	Children at school and play
12:50	Women at home
13:40	Plenary
14:00	Departure

How many groups can visit?

One group with a maximum of 30 children can visit per day.

How much?

£120 per group per day – to be paid on arrival at the Winding House.

Booking

To book a visit contact:
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