



About Dickens World

What better way to introduce your pupils to the Victorians than to let them experience for themselves the sights, sounds and even smells of this exciting period of history?

And what better location than Dickens World, an innovative and interactive indoor visitor complex, themed around the life, work and times of one of Britain's best-loved authors, Charles Dickens. Dickens World will take your pupils on a journey of discovery as they step back in time to Victorian England to experience the highs and lows of urban life at this time and visit some of the locations and street scenes so vividly described in Dickens' novels.

About this resource

To support your visit to the attraction we have developed Victorian Children - a teaching resource designed in conjunction with teaching professionals to support the study of History at Key Stage 2, specifically QCA Unit 11: What was it like for children living in Victorian Britain?

The A2 poster timeline on the reverse has been designed for display in the classroom and provides a useful reference point for pupils to utilise during their study of the Victorian period. Dates included in the timeline help to give pupils some level of historical context as they learn about this exciting and innovative period in history.

Worksheets

The worksheets contain a series of activities to be completed by pupils with opportunities for individual, group or whole class learning. The activities are progressive, enabling them to be adapted for pupils of varying ability.



Lesson plan

Also included on the reverse of this poster is a lesson plan with suggested activities for the delivery of one 60-minute lesson about the lives of Victorian children. This is designed to be an ideal introduction to lessons on the Victorian period. It draws on a comparison of wealthy and poor families and encourages students to look at education, children at work, children at play and home life during Victorian times.

The materials incorporate a wide range of delivery techniques to inject pace and variety so that pupils remain engaged. The lesson plan also contains a list of key words and names that will be covered during the lesson. The list can be photocopied for pupils to cut out and stick into their workbooks and use as spelling reference or alternatively words can be written up and displayed on the whiteboard throughout the duration of the lesson.

How to book

For more information including risk assessments and disabled access, or for school booking enquiries call 08702 411415 or visit www.dickensworld.co.uk.

Opening times

Dickens World is open every day from 10am until 7pm (excluding Christmas Day), with last admissions being at 5pm.



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