

Year 5 What can the census tell us about local areas?

What we are learning



Prior learning: How have children's lives changed?

Lesson 1: To explore the purpose and creation of a		Lesson 2: To create questions about Victorian	Lesson 3: To explore the jobs available in the past	
census.		children using a range of sources.	using the census.	
Key vocabulary				
severance pay	To pay someone money or give them something to replace money or things they have lost.			S
compensation	Money that someone who has experienced loss or suffering claims from the person or organisation responsible.			
income	The money that a person earns or receives.			
workhouse	A place where very poor people could live and do unpleasant jobs in return for food.			
suffragette	A woman who campaigned for their right to vote.			VOTE
census	An official survey of the population which is carried out every ten years.		1 2 2 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	
governess	A person employed to teach a child in their own home.			
scholar	A term used on the census to mean someone attending school or a child.			
enumerator	A person employed to collect census forms and enter the data into an enumeration book.		Q 🔀	

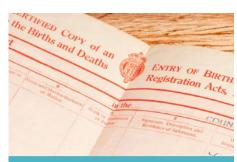
Lesson 4: To make inferences about women's lives in the 1900s using the census.

Lesson 5: To investigate how the census changed by following the life of Evelyn Dove.

Lesson 6: To conduct an enquiry about my local area using the census.



The census is a survey collecting information from every household in the country. It can be used to focus on specific people and places or to identify changes in a particular household over a period of time. It contains information about people such as names, ages, occupations, places of birth, their relationship to the head of household and the number of rooms in a dwelling.



Birth, marriage and death record also give extra information such as who witnessed marriages and people's occupations.

