

Victorians Knowledge Organiser

Enquiry Question: What impact did the Victorian era have on children in Leeds?

History Focus	Year 2	Autumn 2

What should I already know?

- I can explore how technology has changed/developed overtime and the impact this has had. (Rec)
- I know that in society there are poor and wealthy people (Y1)
- I know that the steam train was invented in 1825 by George Stephenson. (Y1)
- I know that a popular Victorian holiday destination was the seaside. (Y1)
- I know that a "Box Brownie" was a Victorian camera. (Y1)

Key Information Learnt by the End of the Topic

Queen Victoria reigned from 20th June 1837 to 22nd January 1901 and these years are known as the Victorian era. She visited Leeds in 1858 to open the new Town Hall.

Housing - Housing changed a lot during the Victorian era. Towns and cities grew as back-to-back houses were built so people could live near the factories they worked in. These housed poorer people; often whole families lived in 1 or 2 rooms. Wealthy people moved out to the suburbs to escape the dirty factories. They lived in grand houses with servants.

Health - Leeds General Infirmary (LGI) opened on Great George Street in 1868. Deadly diseases like Cholera, Typhoid and Small Pox were common in Leeds' Victorian slums.

Transport - New railways were built so people could travel faster and further.

Fashion - Clothing changed a lot. Fabrics became cheaper and factories meant clothes could be made more easily. Women wore dresses and not trousers.

Schools - During her reign Queen Victoria made it compulsory for children to go to school.

Jobs - Poor children were made to work in dangerous jobs such as in mills or coal mines or as chimney sweeps. They worked long hours for very little money.

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Key Vocabulary	Definition			
chronology	Arranging dates or events in the order they happened.			
disease	Something which infects your body and makes your poorly.			
governess	A woman employed to teach children at home.			
Industrial revolution	A time when manufacturing goods moved from homes and small towns to large factories in the cities.			
Wool mill	A factory where wool is spun.			
mine	A huge whole dug to get coal from underground			
transport	A way of getting around such as a car, train or boat.			
pauper	A very poor person.			
poor	Not having enough money to buy basic things.			
Queen Victoria	She was queen during the Victorian era.			
reign	To rule, as a king or queen.			
wealthy	Having more money than you need.			
workhouse	A building where very poor people had to go to live and work.			



Queen Victoria visiting Leeds in 1858.