

Literacy

Write a newspaper article about the London matchgirls' strike of 1888. Find out about the gruesome effects of phosphorous on the health of the girls in the factory. Create a campaign poster to help advertise the strike.

Read some abridged Charles Dickens or watch film versions of his stories and create your own junior guide to the greatest novelist of the Victorian period. Include reviews and books to appeal to other children.

ICT

Find out about Victorian railways using Bradshaw's Guide (bradshaws.guide.org). Read the town descriptions in the original guide and find out how much these places have changed.

Research Whitley Bay, Harrogate or Scarborough as popular places for the wealthy Victorians to go on holiday or for day trips.

Science

Find out about health and medicine in Victorian times including diseases like typhoid, smallpox and cholera.

Year 6 - Spring 2

The Victorians

Homework Projects

History

Find out about significant Victorian women such as Mary Seacole, Florence Nightingale and Elizabeth Garrett Anderson (the first English woman to qualify as a doctor), Charlotte Bronte, George Eliot (whose name was Mary Ann Evans) and Mrs. Beeton.

OR

Find out about life as a child worker in factories, coal mines, chimney sweeps or scullery maids and write a day in the life including illustrations.

Maths

Research what maths was like in the Victorian classroom. (Use this website to help <https://nrich.maths.org/5892>)

Investigate to see whether these statements are true or false, what else have you learned? Present your findings as a poster.

- There was only one classroom.
- Girls and boys were taught together.
- Each class had their own teacher, just like today.
- Back then, they used the same 'money system' as today.

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4	12	8 ¼ +
2	14	2 ¼ +
1	3	5 ¼

- _____ This was an example of an addition calculation.
- They didn't use paper in those days because it was very expensive.

Art & Design

Create a design of your own based on William Morris prints.

OR

Visit the Laing Art Gallery in Newcastle and take photos of the work by Pre-Raphaelite artists.