

My Local History Detective Report with Ellie

Learning objective: To investigate and record information about a significant building or place in the local area.

Hello! I am Ellie the elephant. I love remembering the history of our town. Use this fact-file to help you become a local history detective. Walk around your local area or look at photos to find the answers. Use short sentences to help you.

Word bank: history · building · old · new · past · present · stone · brick · road

1. What is the name of the place or building you are looking at? (Sentence starter: The name of this place is...) (2 marks)

2. Is the building old or new? How can you tell? (Hint: Look for old materials like stone or wood.) (3 marks)

3. What was this building used for in the past? (Sentence starter: In the past, this place was used for...) (3 marks)

4. What is the building used for today? (Sentence starter: Today, people use this building to...) (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Find one interesting object or detail on the building that looks very old. Draw it in your book and explain why you think it is from the past.