

Exploring Our Local Area: Social Studies / History Assessment

Learning objective: To identify and describe how our local area has changed over time.

Read each question carefully. Use the word bank if you need help. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Ellie the elephant is looking at old photos of our town. She sees a place that looks very different today. Some old shops are now houses. The park has new trees. Ellie uses these clues to learn about the history of where we live.

Word bank: Map · Past · Building · Change · Evidence · Photograph

1. 1. What is one type of evidence we can use to learn about the history of our town? (2 marks)

2. 2. Look at a photo from the past. Write one way the town looks different now. (2 marks)

3. 3. Why is it important to keep old buildings in our town? (Sentence starter: It is important because...) (4 marks)

4. 4. If you found an old coin worth £1, why would a museum want to see it? (4 marks)

5. 5. Imagine you are a historian like Ellie. Write a short story about a place in your town. Tell us what it looked like in the past and what it is used for today. (13 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a building in your local area as it might have looked 100 years ago.



Extension challenge: Total: /25. Challenge: Can you find out the name of the oldest street in our town?