A Day in the Life: The Victorians with Ellie the Elephant

Step back in time with Ellie! Explore the Victorian age and discover how the world changed forever.

- **The Victorian era began when Queen Victoria took the throne in 1837 and lasted until her death in 1901.**
- **During this time, the Industrial Revolution changed Britain, as people moved from farms to busy towns to work in large factories.**
- **Steam trains became a popular way to travel, allowing people to visit different parts of the country much faster than by horse and carriage.**
- **Many Victorian children from poorer families worked long hours in factories or mines, while wealthier children were often taught at home by a governess.**
- **In 1870, a new law was passed that meant all children between the ages of 5 and 10 had to go to school to learn reading, writing, and math.**

Did you know? Did you know? Queen Victoria reigned for nearly 64 years! During her time on the throne, the Victorians invented the very first postage stamp, called the Penny Black, which meant people could send letters across the country for just one penny.

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