

# History: KS2

## History in the Headstones Teacher Notes



### **Curriculum Links:**

**History:** Local History, Victorian England and industrialisation, child labour

**Maths:** Investigating statistics

**English:** Creative writing and comprehension

**Geography:** Finding out about your local area

### **Previsit Work & Suggested prior knowledge:**

Find out about the various industries that existed during Victorian times in the local area **OR**

Research World War 1 and its impact on the local area.

### **Activity Objective:**

To understand basic research skills. To gain an insight into lives of real people from the past. To show that by focusing on these examples you can find out about how life was lived and how it was different to today. To explore different sources of information and how we research things today.

### **Key Vocabulary:**

Census, research, evidence, primary and secondary sources

### **Introduction:**

Discuss how these people are buried in Lye and Wollescote Cemetery. Going to begin looking at local history by researching some of the lives of the people in there.

### **Main Task:**

Give small groups of children an individual to focus on linked to your chosen historic period. Ask them to find out as much as they can about the person from the evidence given. What else could they do to find out more information?

### **Plenary:**

Present back what has been found out. Question what information is missing and how it could be found.

### **Suggested Follow up and Extension Activities:**

Class displays and link to other subject areas for further in depth research of the area.

### **Materials required:**

Information sheets and pictures of gravestones

### **Useful websites:**

Lye and Wollescote Cemetery and Chapel site

### **Books:**

*The Lye and Wollescote Cemetery and Chapels* and *The Lost Twenty Nine* both by Jean Weston and Marlene Price