

Year 2 - History

Holidays

How have holidays changed over time?

What I should already know:

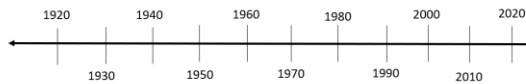
Our grandparents were once children and things change as time passes. Year 1, Unit 1: My family history

Lesson 1: Where did Grandma go as a child?

(Activity: Discussion/sharing personal holiday experiences. Compilation of questions for visitor.)

- Seaside holidays were different when our grandparents were children.
- People (still) go on holiday to the seaside for a complete change of scene; to pursue different activities on the beach and in the sea; for their health in the fresh sea air.
- We can find out about the recent past in many different ways. One way is to ask our grandparents about their own holiday experiences.

When in the past are we learning about?



We are going to be travelling back to the 1950s when your grandparents were children. This is called the recent past.

Can you find the year that you were born?

holiday	<i>Time away from work and school.</i>
recent past	<i>Time in the past lived by people who are still alive today.</i>
Twentieth century	<i>Time during the years beginning with 19 - -</i>
seaside resort	<i>A town, village or hotel on the coast where people go to stay on holiday.</i>
accommodation	<i>The place where you stay on holiday e.g. hotel, caravan</i>
Bank holiday	<i>Usually a Monday when the whole country has the day off work and school.</i>

Lesson 2: What can a photograph tell us about seaside holidays in the past?

(Activity: Interview a visitor. Record findings.)

- Holidays in the past were often taken for the same reasons as we take holidays now.
- In the past, families usually took holidays only in the UK.
- Seaside holidays were popular.
- Holiday activities included paddling and swimming in the sea; taking donkey rides on the beach; strolling on the promenade; eating ice cream, candy floss and rock; watching Punch and Judy puppet shows.



bandstand



deckchair



pier



seawall

deckchair	<i>A folding chair made of wood and material usually used on a beach</i>
pier	<i>A platform on pillars that goes from the beach out into the sea</i>
Punch and Judy	<i>Puppet show usually watched at the beach</i>
bandstand	<i>A covered outdoor platform where a band plays</i>
seawall	<i>A wall built along a coast to stop the sea crashing onto the land</i>
promenade	<i>A paved walk along the seafront</i>

Lesson 3: What can souvenirs tell us about seaside holidays in the recent past?

(Activity: Compare different souvenirs and say why they are valuable to you. Write a postcard from a holiday in the past.)

- Souvenirs can take many different forms: postcards, fridge magnets, mugs, small toys etc.
- We can learn about the places or events by looking closely at the souvenir.
- Souvenirs can tell us about holidays in the past.
- Souvenirs do not have to be worth a lot of money – their value comes in the happy memories they help us recall.

fridge magnets



postcards



souvenir

A thing that is kept to remind you of a place or event

value

How much something is liked, how important something is.

Lesson 4: What can stories tell us about seaside holidays in the recent past?

(Activity: Discuss a story about a holiday in the past. Write our own story including facts about holidays in the past.)

- We can learn about holidays in the past from reading stories.
- Some stories contain both facts and fiction.



fact

A thing that is known to be true.

fiction

An imaginary part (person or event) in a story.

research

Work that is done to increase what we know about something.

Lesson 5: Were all holidays the same when our grandparents were children?

(Activity: Discuss different holidays in the past. Compile a questionnaire to ask grandparents.)

- Not everyone in the past went to the seaside on holiday.
- Some chose to go camping.
- Others, probably the wealthier, went abroad on holiday.
- We can find out about different types of holidays in the past by asking older members of our family.

camping



going abroad



continuity

The same things over time.

change

Replace with something different.

same

Identical, not different.

different

Not the same.

tourist

A person who is visiting somewhere on holiday.

Lesson 6: BIG FINISH: What was it like on a 1950s seaside holiday?

(Activity: [Reconstruct a 1950s holiday using everything learnt.](#))

- We can show how much we have learnt by recreating a 1950s seaside holiday ourselves at school.

seaside holiday



anachronism

Something that belongs to a different time in history.

reconstruction

Rebuild how it used to be.

modern

From recent times rather than the past.

interpretation

A way of explaining something.