



# Education Session: Work & Play

## Summary

Find out about Victorian children's lives by studying the Brooke family servants and the Brooke children. Help the costumed laundry maid with the washing and cleaning, then join in the family games with replica Victorian toys.

**Venue:** Education room and Museum Gallery

## Learning Objectives

- Explore the differences between life today and life in the Victorian period
- Find out about the different lifestyles of rich and poor
- Learn about Victorian objects and their uses

## Themes explored

- The Victorian period & when it was
- The differences between rich & poor in Victorian times (with example of Brooke family & servants)
- The roles of Victorian servants
- How life in Victorian times was different from life today
- What life was like for children in the Victorian period

## Methods

- Through using real and replica objects
- Through using source materials including census records and photographs
- Through listening and asking questions
- Through hands on activities
- Through role play and costume

## Curriculum Links

### History key stage 1 & 2

Unit 1: How are toys different from those in the past?

Unit 2: What were homes like a long time ago?

Unit 11: What was it like for children living in Victorian Britain?

Unit 12: How did life change in our locality in Victorian times?

Unit 18: What was it like to live here in the past?

**Art & Design Unit 9gen:** Visiting a museum, gallery or site

## Supports Every Child Matters Outcomes

**Enjoy and achieve:** Achieve personal and social development and enjoy recreation

**Enjoy and achieve:** Achieve stretching national educational standards at primary school