

Local History 2

Continuing with our history study of the local area, can you recall some of the buildings and houses that you saw on your walk around your local area. How old do you think they were? Become a historical detective!

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/ztnvgk7#zpfbcdm>

What is a History Detective?

- A History Detective is somebody who looks at evidence from the past.
- History Detectives want to learn about the past from the clues other people leave behind.



Stand facing the front of your house thinking about:

- When was your house built?
- What materials is your house made from?
- What special characteristics (chimney pots, mullions, slate roof, stained glass windows, patterned brick, sash windows etc) can you identify?
- What other buildings are similar or different to your house on the street?

Use Google Maps (satellite view) to find your local area and locate your street. Zoom in to spot terraces with chimneys, bay windows / sash windows, and possibly a small back yard and / or simple stained glass, all of which are period features. What other historical features can you spot?

Ask an adult you live with or phone a family member/ friend if they have any historical information about your street.

How has life changed on your street?

How has the land been used on your street?

Record some of your ideas in different ways, such as a mind map, a list or a picture