

Children's Homes - Play and Holidays worksheet

Although Children in the Homes had to do daily chores, they had plenty of time to play. They were also taken on day trips and holidays to the country and the seaside.

1. The first two photographs show children playing a home and in the playground of a home. How does this compare with the areas you have to play in today?

Hint: Look at the toys, the furniture, the walls and the equipment.

2. Looking at the group of boys swimming and playing on the banks of the River Thames. Think of reasons some why this would probably not be allowed today.
3. The boys at scout camp seem to be having a great time. In small groups, choose one of the four types of holiday or play shown in the photographs.

The indoor facilities
The outdoor facilities
The seaside trip
The camp

Why do you think this type of holiday or play was the most important to the pupils?