

Objects matching activity: This shows objects we have on display at the museum, which you can come and see.

For this activity, print out a few sets of this table and cut out each box. Divide the class in groups, and give them each a set to match. Encourage them to discuss and justify their choices. We encourage you to be as sustainable as possible when planning activities, so consider keeping the printed boxes for future activities.

	Milk bottle	Children would sometimes be given (in a glass bottle) at school as they were not given enough at home.
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	Abacus	This was used before calculators were invented to do simple maths sums like adding and subtracting.

DRAWING SLATE	Drawing slate	As paper was expensive, children were given to write on so that the writing could be rubbed out and the could be used again.
	Poems/Magazines	In the 19 <sup>th</sup> century stories were serialised weekly or monthly – they were to Victorian Children what TV shows are for you today.
	Egg and spoon	This was a common toy in the playground, you might have used it on sports day.
	Teacher's box of samples	As there was no internet in the 19 <sup>th</sup> century, teachers would have minerals, rocks and other real objects which they would use to teach children.

Ink jug	When children did use paper, they used a quill and dipped it into this to be able to write with ink (like in Harry Potter!)
Cane	This was used to hit children with when they were naughty, and the Teacher wanted to punish them (teachers do not do this today).
Bird scaring rattle	Children often had specific duties at home and were expected to contribute to family life – children on a farm would have used this to keep the crops safe.
Back board	Teachers used this to force children to sit up properly in class (teachers today don't do this nowadays).