

York Castle Museum

Kirkgate Trail

Aims:

Using the artifacts, reconstructions and Museum staff to understand the Victorian period through questioning, observation and evaluation.

Develop an understanding of how people lived in Victorian England focusing on the Victorian street in the museum.

Write notes, take photographs, follow the trail.....

You should be able to:

a. Use a range of historical sources, including written, visual and oral sources, and the historic environment.

b) Find at least **10 pieces of evidence** to answer questions about Victorian life.

The street has information about transport, toys, education, shopping, lifestyle, punishment and much, much more.....

You can either create your own question or use the suggestions below.

a) How was life different for rich and poor different in a Victorian city? (2 groups. One look at the poor and one at the rich and compare notes)

b) How do we know there was illness and disease in Victorian York?

c) How did adults and children entertain themselves?

d) What evidence is there to suggest Victorians were skilled in different trades and used a variety of materials?

e) How were children educated?

f) Compare the street with life today. What have the Victorians done for us?

g) What can we learn about transport in Victorian times?