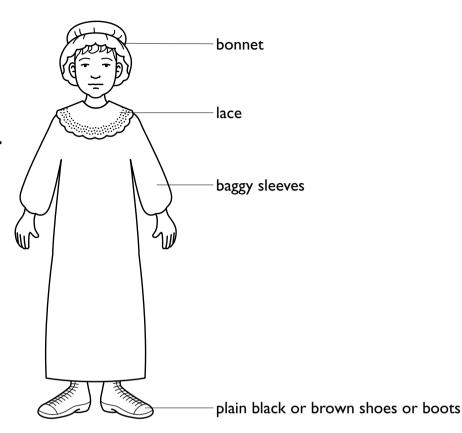
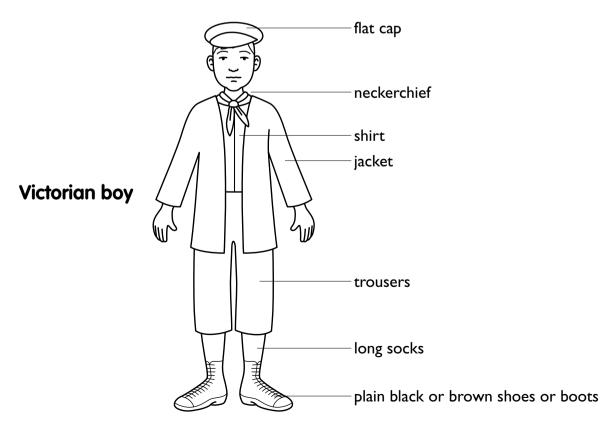
Based on pages 20 and 21 of How life changed in Victorian times

Victorian costume

Here are two Victorian costumes.

Victorian girl





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Teacher's sheet

Victorian costume

Age range

- Years 3/4 (SP4/5).
- Years 5/6 (SP6/7).

Resources

Copies of the worksheet.

Using the worksheet

This activity could be used after activity A in preparation for a Victorian day. A copy of the sheet could be sent home with a letter to the parents or carers explaining about your planned Victorian day (see pages 17–21). It is often best not to be too prescriptive as some parents, carers and grandparents have a talent for making striking costumes.

You could suggest that suitable clothing for making into costumes can sometimes be found cheaply in charity shops. You may like to assemble a couple of costumes for boys and girls to keep in reserve for students who, for any reason, cannot bring a costume to school.

Secondary sources on Victorian costume for older students (optional).

Younger students

You may like the students to keep their costume on throughout the Victorian day. If you do, be prepared for some students becoming upset if their costumes get dirty in the lunch-break.

Outcomes

The students can:

• With help from adults, assemble a Victorian costume.

Older students

The students may like to look at a range of secondary sources on Victorian costume and decide what they would like to make.

Outcomes

The students can:

- Select items for a Victorian costume.
- With help from adults, assemble a Victorian costume.