

Finding clues in photographs

Level:	Foundation–2
Curriculum focus:	<i>Historical Concepts & Skills</i> <i>Historical sources as evidence</i> Identify the content features of primary sources when describing the significance of people, places or events (VCHHC054)
Learning outcome:	Students can view a photograph taken in a previous era and identify clues in it about life in the past.
What's included:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Activities• Discussion questions• Further Resources

Activities

Activity one

Watch the video [Finding Clues in Photographs](#)

Pause and discuss the video as needed.

Discussion questions

- What do you see in each photo?
- What do the photos make you think about the past? How is it different to your life?
- What other questions do the photos make you wonder about life in the past? What would you like to know about the past?

Activity two

Look at this photo.

Label what you see that is different from your life today.



Activity two (extension)

Look at the photo.

Answer the questions on the following page.



What do you see in this photograph? Who is in it and what are they doing?

Is there anything in the photo that is different today?

What do you think about it? What does it tell you?

What do you wonder about it? What questions do you have?

Teacher resources

Visit

Map of historic sites in the City of Glen Eira

This [map](#) shows primary schools in the City of Glen Eira along with monuments, museums, historical societies, plaques, memorials, public art, historic buildings, and sites that commemorate First Nations history. Visit our [Self-guided Walking Tours page](#) for more information.



Watch

Glen Eira City Council (2022) [Alicia Cerreto - in conversation with Glen Eira Historical Society](#)

Learn

City of Moorabbin Historical Society (2024) [City of Moorabbin Historical Society \(Box Cottage\) Collection](#)

Glen Eira City Council (2024) [History of Our Council](#)

Glen Eira City Council (2024) [Glen Eira City Council History and Heritage Collection](#)

Glen Eira Historical Society (2024) [Glen Eira Historical Society Collection](#)

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Lindt J W (c.1885) Sargood Family in Front of Tennis Pavilion [photograph], courtesy: National Trust of Australia (Victoria) Rippon Lea Collection and Brian Webster

Unknown photographer (c.1930s) Wonga Park: Vergers Family in 2 wheel horse cart [photograph], courtesy Wonga Park Community Cottage History Group, identifier: 3275