

A Day in the Life of a Workhouse Child



Children had a very different life in a workhouse compared to how children live today in the UK.

Think about:

What did the children wear?

What was their day like from rising to sleeping?

How might they have felt during the day?

What was it like in class?

What was their teacher like?

When did they see their parents?

What were the sleeping and eating arrangements?

In workhouses, children were either orphans or had one or more parents but were kept apart from them.

Imagine you are a child living in a workhouse. Write about your experience on this day.

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