

# Primary History: Children of Victorian Britain

## Extension Activity - Victorian Schools

Most schools kept a school log book, to record what had gone on in school. Some of the entries sound surprising to us today. **Read the extracts from a Victorian school log book.** You could make your own log book, to record what happens in your class or school.

### **Write a school timetable for a Victorian school.**

Compare it with a modern school timetable, for a day or week. What are the main differences? How well was the Victorian curriculum suited to their life and times?

**Find out more about the pioneers of women's education and teacher training,** such as Dorothea Beale and Frances Buss. What obstacles did girls face in getting an education? Why was it so hard for them to enter careers such as medicine and the law? Talk about how girls' and boys' education compares today.