



Life Long Ago

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History
Grades K-2



Introduction

After a unit about how life was different long ago, students will participate in this writing activity to demonstrate their understanding of how essential activities as well as recreational activities have changed. Read-Aloud – *Winter Day in the Big Woods* by Laura Ingalls Wilder.

Learning Objectives

- The learner will be able to describe the differences in life long ago and life now, including aspects of life that have been made easier because of inventions as well as how recreation is different.
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Materials Needed

- *Winter Day in the Big Woods* by Laura Ingalls Wilder
 - chart, copies of graphic organizer, copies of rubric
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Procedure

1. After students have listened to the read-aloud, have students help you make a list of things in the book that were very different to how things are in present day, including jobs and recreation.
 2. After you have brainstormed a list of ideas, have students turn to their writing partner and tell them four things about life long ago that they think are the most interesting or most different.
 3. Have students return to their seats and complete the following [graphic organizer](#).
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Evaluation

Have students use the [rubric](#) to evaluate their own writing and/or their writing partner's writing. After they have used the rubric to improve their writing, use the same rubric to grade the assignment.