

Florida

Studies Weekly

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Life Long Ago

Long before you were born, life was different than it is today. Some things changed over time while some things stayed the same.

Children long ago did not have much time for play. Most of their time was spent doing chores. Children enjoyed playing games such as marbles or hide-and-seek. Many of the games played long ago are the same as the games you play today.

Florida Next Generation Sunshine State Standards: **SS.1.A.1.1:** Develop an understanding of a primary source. **SS.1.A.1.2:** Understand how to use the media center/other sources to find answers to questions about a historical topic. **SS.1.A.2.1:** Understand history tells the story of people and events of other times and places. **SS.1.A.2.2:** Compare life now with life in the past. **SS.1.A.2.3:** Identify celebrations and national holidays as a way of remembering and honoring the heroism and achievements of the people, events, and our nation's ethnic heritage.

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Long ago, boys and girls wore long dresses called frocks with sashes. A sash is a fabric belt tied around the waist. As girls got older, they continued to wear frocks, but younger boys wore frocks until they were age 7. Then they wore long pants and a coat. Children also wore stockings and leather shoes. Clothing styles have changed over time. What are you wearing today?



In the past, children in America had to work hard to help their families. Some worked on farms, in factories and did chores around the house. Girls helped their mothers with jobs like cooking and sewing. Boys helped with the animals. Today, children clean their rooms and take out the trash to help their families.

Long ago, people enjoyed listening to stories told by family and friends. Today, children enjoy stories in the form of books and electronic devices.



Some children worked in factories. Factories are places where things are made. Children also worked in mills where the cloth was made, and many boys worked in mines. Today, all children go to school and learn. Now there are laws that protect children from working at a young age.



Festivals can help us learn about the past. A popular festival in Plant City, Florida, is the Strawberry Festival. Here you can find all types of food made from strawberries. Are there any festivals in your community?



Name _____

Write the correct answer on each line below. Use the Word Bank to help you.

Word Bank

- work
- Festivals
- Factories
- frock

1. A _____ is a long dress worn by boys and girls long ago.
2. _____ can help us learn about the past.
3. Children in America had to _____ to help their families.
4. _____ are places where things are made.

Draw a picture of a chore you are responsible for doing at home.

Circle the pictures showing life long ago.

