


<p>The British Empire</p> <p>During the Victorian times, Queen Victoria ruled over many other countries too. Use a blank map of the world or find a map online to show the British Empire. Why not research one of the countries? You could create a presentation using something like PowerPoint to show your research.</p>	<p>Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside!</p> <p>The Victorians loved the fresh seaside air and were the first to make holidays and day-trips to the seaside popular. One of their inventions was the bathing machine. Design your own model of a Victorian bathing machine or beach hut.</p>	<p>Mmmmm....Tasty Treats</p> <p>Can you find out about food in the Victorian times? Design a menu card for a well off Victorian house showing the food they would eat, or draw a picture and label the different dishes the poor would have eaten.</p>
<p>Getting from A to B</p> <p>Most of the people in Victorian Britain would travel around on foot. Some people had horse drawn carriages but some rich people were lucky enough to have one of the first motor cars or to travel on steam trains. Imagine what it would be like to travel in one of these new inventions. Write a poem or letter describing what the journey was like. You can draw the transportation to illustrate your work.</p>		<p>Child Labour</p> <p>Children were expected to contribute to the family from a very early age. School was made compulsory during the Victorian era but many children only went in the morning and they had jobs to do after school. Many poor people could not afford the school fees so the children had no choice but to work. Can you make a list of all the jobs children might have done and create a job advertisement for one of them? Make it as appealing and eye-catching as possible – remember to use your powers of persuasion!</p>
<p>Read all about it!</p> <p>The Victorian era was a time of great change. They invented many things we take for granted nowadays. Do your research and write a news report about one invention and the impact it would have on the lives of the Victorian people. (Here are a few ideas to get you started about the steam train, camera, telephone or even coca cola which was first introduced way back in 1886!)</p>	<p>Get creative...</p> <p>You could:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - write a fact file or a biography about a famous Victorian - write a book review on a book by a Victorian author (<i>The Water Babies</i> by Charles Kingsley is a favourite of Ms Clarke's!) - recreate a painting from the Victorian era. 	<p>Living in a shoebox</p> <p>Victorian homes were very different to ours, without any of our labour-saving devices and gadgets. Create a diorama of a room in a typical Victorian house. You could even try to create your own William Morris inspired wallpaper for your shoebox room.</p>