

Heritage Hunt



1 This is what the station looked like 90 years ago.

It was on the Border Counties line that went from Hexham to Scotland.

The railway line has gone, but some buildings remain.

2 Inside the Heritage Centre find a railway map and see where these people might be going.

3 Then, buy a ticket from our ticket office. (But have you the right money?)

4 On your way out to the buffet car, look along the platform to see what is left of the station.



1 Before there were trains, people travelled by horse and cart.

When their carts broke or their horses needed new shoes people went to the blacksmith to get them fixed.



2 These blacksmiths are using tools like those in our forge. How many can you find?

3 Look above the forge to see how our blacksmith travelled to work. Why do you think he painted it black?



1 We've got lots of interesting things about farming because this is what most people did around here.

In this photograph the whole family is helping to collect hay.

Why is hay important?

2 Look at old photographs in our farming gallery to see which animals farmers kept.

Why did they keep them?

3 How did women and children help on the farm?

1 Some men and boys also worked in mines. They dug for iron ore or coal.

It was hard and heavy work. This was 100 years ago, though.

2 Find the remains of the trucks they used to shift heavy loads of coal and iron ore.



3 Look above for a reconstruction of one of them.

4 Compare these trucks to those by the doorway into the Heritage Centre.

**Afterwards,
why not ...**

Look at: more old photographs on our computers.

Listen to: people talking about the past in our telephone box.

Colour in: one of our FunFinder activity sheets.