

'A Georgian Day Out ' Loans Box – Teacher sheet

Teachers Notes

This resource provides schools with a flexible tool to support teaching about Georgian Bath by bringing the museum experience to you!

The replica and handling objects inside these boxes are designed to be held, touched – and even heard and smelled! They aim to give pupils the chance to engage hands-on with historical objects creatively, using a range of senses.

There are **6 boxes**, each box has focuses on a location and Georgian experience in the city.

The objects can be used to aid teaching KS1 & KS2 National Curriculum targets in History & Art, including:

- learning about local history
- learning about an aspect of British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066, such as the influence of Roman culture on British history
- developing techniques and the use of materials
- learning about the work of artists, craft makers and designers

Please see the accompanying templates and resource sheets for ideas *or* use the objects to develop your own schemes of work.

Context

The Holburne Museum in Bath is named after Sir William Holburne, a Georgian aristocrat who lived in the city between 1830- 1874 and spent his life travelling and collecting beautiful objects. Lots of the objects he collected on his travels were inspired by the ancient Roman and Greek worlds including jewellery, ceramics, and sculpture.

Our aim is to share the collection of objects with a wider audience and rethink how children can engage with historical objects to promote learning through encouraging curiosity and creativity.

If you're inspired to book a school visit to explore and experience the museum's collection and historical building, please see our website www.holburne.org or contact: a.highley@holburne.org

Contents

Inside your teacher pack : -

- Teacher briefing sheet
- 'Cheat sheet' for labels and matching objects in the boxes
- USB with powerpoint presentation (Holburne introduction, 'Guess what?' Holburne highlights game)
- Teacher copies of creative activities and instructions, including:-
 - Customise your own Etui set
 - Make your own Georgian fan
 - Make your own silhouette, *inspired by William Hamlet*
 - Design a poster, *to celebrate the opening of Sydney Gardens*
 - Design a classical temple
 - Design your own medallion, *in the style of Wedgwood's antislavery medallion* (KS2)
 - Design your own Wedgwood vase

Inside the loans boxes: -

6 wooden boxes – each box is designed to represent a different location, theme and activity in 18th century Bath, creating the ideal 'Georgian Day Out'.

These include:-

Getting ready with William Holburne, Cavendish Crescent (Georgian self care and beauty)

Investigate a Roman Discovery, Sydney Gardens (Roman discoveries in Bath)

Dance at a Georgian Ball, The Assembly Rooms (Georgian games and dancing)

Go shopping at Wedgwood, Milsom Street (Wedgwood: Maker turned abolitionist)

Explore the Pleasure Gardens, Sydney Gardens (18th century entertainments)



Have your silhouette made at William Hamlet's studio, Union street (Hamlet: Enslavement to artist)

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Ways you can use your Loans Box

These replica objects are designed to be held and touched. Use these objects as a tool to support learning about: -

- Local historic figures. William Holburne, founder of Bath's first art museum. William Hamlet, a runaway turned successful silhouettist working from studios in both Bath and Salisbury.
- Then vs Now. Georgian society, traditions and tastes – how do they compare to the modern day?
- The artist's process. Explore different materials and processes explored by artists and makers from the 18th century to now, including ceramics, silhouettes, drawing and painting.
- Classical world inspires. Explore how archaeological discoveries of the 18th century were key in shaping the city of Bath.

Suggested activities

- Ask your students to become a Museum Curator and match the description labels (in boxes) to the correct objects.
- Explore the Holburne Museum's collection using the 'Guess What?' powerpoint game.
- Use the range of creative activities and inspiration sheets to further explore your chosen topic. Pupils could create their own sketchbook full of artwork or create a group exhibition or display of children's work.
- Get drawing! Use these objects for observational drawing activities, think about pattern and texture.