



Past and Present: Grades K-2

Shelburne Museum Self-Guided Tour

Welcome to the Past and Present tour at Shelburne Museum!
As you explore and complete the activities, think about these questions:

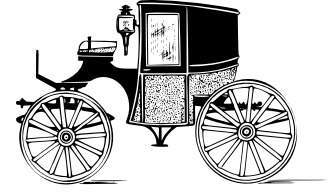
How do objects help us learn about
how people lived long ago?

How was life long ago different from
life today? How was it the same?



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Round Barn (part 1)



BEFORE you go into the Round Barn (top level):

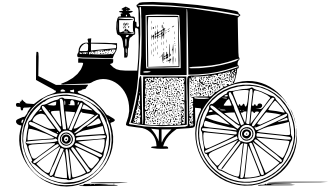
In the space below, draw a picture of a modern-day ***minivan***:

What do you think a ***minivan*** from the year 1900 (about 125 years ago!) would look like? Draw a picture of it!



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Round Barn (part 2)



INSIDE the Round Barn (top level):

Explore the Round Barn to ***find the “minivan” from 1900!*** You can use the labels to help.
Hint: It is called a Three-Seat Surrey.

When you find the Three-Seat Surrey, draw a picture of it in the space below.

Bonus Challenge!

Keep exploring the Round Barn to find the historical versions of:

- Limousine
- Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV)
- Food Truck
- Taxi Cab

(It's ok if you don't find them all!)



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General Store (part 1)



Let's go shopping! Let's travel back to the 1840s.

There are no computers, video games, or phones to play with. **Find THREE to FIVE items you would buy to help you have some some fun.** Some items to look out for are different kinds of toys, games, and sporting equipment. What else could you have fun with?

WRITE or **DRAW** your items in the space below:



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General Store (part 2)



Bonus Challenges!

Find **two** to **three** items that are **still used today**. Write or draw what you found:

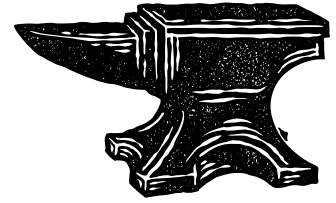
Find **two** to **three** items that are **no longer used today**. Write or draw what you found:

Find an item that is a mystery to you! What do you think it is? What do you think it does? You can ask the General Store Guide for help in solving the mystery!



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Blacksmith Shop



Visit the Blacksmith Shop to see a historic trade in action!

INSIDE the Blacksmith Shop:

Take some time to look up, down, and around. Notice how the Blacksmith shop sounds, smells, and feels. **WRITE** or **DRAW** your observations below:

What do you SMELL?

What do you HEAR?

What do you FEEL?

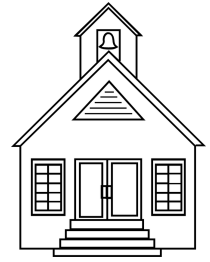
WRITE or **DRAW** *three* to *five* different things you **SEE**. These can be tools, objects made by the Blacksmith, etc.

What are you wondering about? Ask the blacksmith any questions you may have!



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Schoolhouse



Welcome to the 1840s Schoolhouse!

This building is almost 200 years old, and was moved to Shelburne Museum from the city of Vergennes. Kids as young as Kindergarten up to 8th grade would have all gone to school together, in this one room!

Sit at a desk and look around! **WRITE** or **DRAW** some of the *things you see* in the Schoolhouse in the space below:

How many stars are on the flag? _____

What do the stars represent? Why would there be that number of stars?



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After Your Visit

Use your drawings, notes, and memories from your visit to Shelburne Museum to help you answer these questions: ***How was life long ago different from life today?***
How is it the same?

Write or ***draw*** your ideas in the space below.

Bonus: Share one example of an interesting object or building you saw at the Museum. What did it teach you about the past? ***Write*** or ***draw*** about it on the back of this page or on another sheet of paper.