

VICTORIAN LONDON - A TALE OF TWO CITIES



The Past Brought to Life

DESCRIPTION

The walk aims to bring the 19th Century to life, and to show the two sides of Victorian London - both the staggering wealth of the world's first World City and the horrendous poverty of Dickens's London. The location is ideal - we start in the financial City, visit the Victorian Port of London, and end the Tour in Dickens's Southwark, visiting sites made famous in *Oliver Twist*, *Pickwick Papers* and *Little Dorrit*. The final visit is to the atmospheric Old Operating Theatre Museum where pupils are confronted with the raw past. Among the aspects covered by the walk are Public Health, Housing, Industry, Trade, and medical history

NATIONAL CURRICULUM

We vary the presentation to fit to the key stage, and core study unit being taken by the class, but also are happy to tailor it to the exact requirements of the teacher. It is an admirable excursion for the History Curriculum, but it also has wide application for across the curriculum and is particularly strong in Science, Technology and Literature.

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START AT TOWER UNDERGROUND STATION

TOWER OF LONDON pointing out Roman Wall and 1848 Gun Loops built as a precaution against Chartist Uprisings.

PST KATHERINE'S DOCK emblematic of the Empire's vast wealth, interesting to consider the Irish 'Navies' who dug them.

TOWER BRIDGE Victorian Engineering

THAMES Pollution, Ship Building, and Suicide.

TOOLEY STREET Late Victorian post Education Reform Act School

HAY'S GALLERIE First Refrigerated Warehouse now a covered shopping centre! Can be a good place for packed lunches.

LONDON BRIDGE STATION - First Railway Terminus in London

NANCY'S STEPS - *Oliver Twist*, Nancy and Bill Sikes

BOROUGH MARKET - Victorian Fruit and Veg. Market

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL AND ST. MARY OVERY DOCK - Atmospheric part of Southwark full of Victorian Warehouses

HOP EXCHANGE AND FACTORS - Reminder of the many industries that Southwark formerly benefited from (leather working, ship's biscuit manufacturing, surgical instruments etc..)

GEORGE AND WHITE HART INNS - Old Coaching Inns featuring in Little Dorrit and Pickwick Papers
OLD OPERATING THEATRE, MUSEUM AND HERB GARRET - A chance to delight the kids with gory tales of amputation without anaesthetics; to discover the medicinal use of licorice; and to underline the importance of the discovery of bacteria.

Time Taken

We suggest leaving 1.30 hr. for the walk, and 40 mins - 1 hour in the Museum.

BOOKING DETAILS: The walk lasts a maximum of 2 hours and depends on the age group.. Allow an extra hour for any visits taken. Walk £3.00 per pupil, accompanying adults free. Minimum booking fee of £90.00. We need 2 accompanying adults for a class. **Contact:** Kevin Flude on 07958 322011 or 020 8 806 4325. Please feel free to ring in the evening or email me at kpflude@chr.org.uk

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