



THE STORY OF IRELAND



History Detectives: Activity 1



History really is a story about people and how they lived. It is very interesting and exciting to discover how ideas and inventions have changed the way people have lived and the effects that these have had on their lives. People's lives have been changing constantly over the last 9,000 years. Even our lives today are different from those of our grandparents.

Your mission is to discover what the big changes to people's lives in your area were, what caused them and what effects they had. Use the box below to make a list of questions to ask your parents, grandparents, uncles and aunts and even older brothers and sisters.

Useful categories to include are **Transport** (How far and how often did they travel?), **School** (When did they leave school?), **Employment** (What type of jobs could they have and what were the wages like?), **Shopping** (What were they able to buy and how much did things cost?), and **Entertainment** (How did they entertain themselves?)