

What is it?

This Vicarage Room used to be a church hall. It was ordered by the Vicar and arrived by train! It was erected in the Vicar's garden and used for lectures and church activities. It was later used as a furniture storeroom for auctions and the Museum now has it laid out like a Victorian school room.

How old is it?

It was first built in 1896 and arrived at the Museum in 1990, costing £7,314 to rebuild.

Where did it come from?

The Vicarage room was originally situated on Lashlake Road, Thame, Oxfordshire.

What is it built from?

It is a prefabricated building manufactured in wooden sections for quick assembly – rather like flat pack furniture from Ikea!



Experiment

Victorian school children wrote with chalk on slate over and over again, just like we use mini whiteboard and dry wipe markers. Sometimes pupils used ink pens with a metal nib and dipped it in to an ink well. Why try out a different styles of copy writing? Be careful not to get too messy!

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Home Learning

Imagine

What was school like 150 years ago? Investigate what girls and boys would have learned and follow a Victorian timetable for the day.

Research

Can you find out what Victorian children did when they weren't at school? Perhaps you could make up a fact file of pastimes and hobbies, or discover a fiction book about Victorian school life? <https://www.booksfortopics.com/victorians>

Create

Find out what an abacus is. Why not try making one of your own out of things you can find around the house?