





Shopping

The environment we live in can be as local as our home or as vast as our solar system and is always changing. We often don't notice this change or the change happens so gradually that we don't see it until we take time to look back over a period of time and think about what is different.

Listen to this clip of Marion Sunderland telling Julia Muir-Watt about what life was like when she was a child on the Isle of Whithorn. Listen very carefully and see if you can answer the questions below. (Write your answers in the space below each question.)

- What treat does Marion remember earning money to buy?
- Where did Marion say her mother did most of her shopping?
- When and why did Marion go to Glasgow with her mum?
- Where did Marion's mum get her clothes? (Hint, there are 2 answers to this)?

When Marion was a child all the day-to-day shopping was done locally, mostly in one shop? Can you think of ways that shopping has changed over the years?

How do you think mobile phones and computers have changed the ways we shop today?

TASK:

Think about interviewing a parent, a grandparent or even a teacher about their shopping habits and
how these might have changed over the years. You could ask them where they used to go shopping
when they were younger and ask them to compare this with how they shop today. Write a few lines
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TASK:

In the past, people often made their own clothes or had clothes made for them by local seamstresses or tailors. Imagine you could have an outfit made especially for you. Use the space below to draw a picture of your dream outfit. Put in as much detail as possible. Think about the colours and fabrics and all the design features.

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Find out more:

If you would like to listen to some more interviews, why not search the RESP website to find out more about shops and shopping or other subjects that interest you. HINT try using the search box to search for things like clothes, shopping, fabrics, childhood.

If you would like to hear more from Marion you can listen to the rest of the interview by searching the name Marion Sunderland including the page dedicated to her. (Search Marion Sunderland and then look for the item 'Interviews of Marion Sunderland' and click on this).

There are a lot of interviews to listen to on the RESP website and if you are not sure where to start or what to look for, the secret is to just start looking and see what catches your interest. Using the search box, experiment with words relating to this worksheet or anything else that takes your interest and then follow the links. There are also other worksheets you can try on the Kids Only page that might give you some ideas.