



**St. Barbe Museum**  
**Education Session Plan**  
**Toys**

<b>Timing</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>10 mins</b>	Welcome; health and safety information.	To ensure the safety and well-being of the group during their visit.	Coats and bags may be hung up. Session time is about an hour and can be extended to suit.
<b>10 mins</b>	Introductory talk and discussion about toys – their favourites.	To involve all children in the topic and give opportunities for Museum Education Officer to assess children’s present levels of information about toys in the past.	
<b>20 mins</b>	Each pair of children to be given a toy artefact. Discussion of materials and how used.	Pupils will know how to hold, examine and pass to another pupil museum artefacts. Pupils will learn about toys in the past	
<b>5 mins</b>	Pupils will be shown a special artefacts e.g. a Victorian doll. They will discuss materials and features that differ from dolls today.	Pupils will learn that not all artefacts can be handled by all and that some need special treatment. Children will learn about differences in dolls - Victorian times and today.	
<b>15 mins</b>	Children will be grouped with a type of replica Victorian toy or robust artefacts to use. If time permits children will rotate through activities.	Children will experience toys of the past.	
<b>15 mins</b>	If time permits, 1 or 2 children may be dressed in period costume using toys.	Children experience Victorian clothing and how different it is from today.	Optional: photos may be taken.

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