

Long Ago and Today

Grade 1 • SOCIAL-STUDIES • Students compare familiar features of schools, homes, and travel from long ago with those of today. • Standards: D2.His.2.K-2

Read each sentence carefully. Decide if it tells about long ago or today. Write your answer on the line.

1. Children ride in cars with seat belts. Is this long ago or today?
2. A family rides in a wagon pulled by a horse. Is this long ago or today?
3. Students use computers at school. Is this long ago or today?
4. Long ago, children walked to a one-room schoolhouse to learn. Is this long ago or today?
5. A home has electric lights in every room. Is this long ago or today?
6. A family uses candles to see at night in their home. Is this long ago or today?
7. Students in a classroom all sit at separate desks. Long ago, many students sat together on long benches. Which is from today: separate desks or long benches?
8. Long ago, people walked or rode horses to travel to town. Today, most people drive cars. Which way to travel is from long ago?
9. Long ago, homes had wood stoves for cooking. Today, homes have electric or gas stoves. Which kind of stove is from today?
10. Long ago, children wrote on small boards called slates. Today, children write in notebooks made of paper. If a child is writing in a paper notebook, is that long ago or today?

Answer Key — Long Ago and Today

For the teacher / parent. Do not distribute with the worksheet.

1. today
2. long ago
3. today
4. long ago (*One-room schoolhouses were used long ago.*)
5. today
6. long ago
7. separate desks
8. walked or rode horses
9. electric or gas stoves
10. today