

Comprehension Questions

1. The word 'Disneyfication' is made up. What does it mean?
2. How were the lives of chimney sweeps different to those shown in Mary Poppins?
3. How did the Master chimney sweep acquire his young workers?
4. How were the boys made ready for the hardships of sweeping chimneys?
5. What danger did some of the chimney sweeps face as they swept smaller chimneys?
6. How did sweeping chimneys affect the health of the boys as they grew older?
7. What occupation was considered ideal for young girls and single women?
8. How long was the working day of a house maid?
9. What was the rich person's opinion of servants?
10. How should a servant behave if they came into contact with a member of the household?
11. Who held the lowest occupation of the house?
12. What jobs were a scullery maid expected to do every day?
13. What was a Victorian 'Tweeny'?
14. What duties did a house maid have to carry out every day?
15. How was the life of a child chimney sweep or scullery maid different to the life of a child in Britain today?