



1.6 How to use the Historical Postcards & Photographs Now



Historical Postcards and Photographs Now

There are 4 sets of historical postcards and photographs, and 1 set of Roma Now photographs.

The postcards and photographs can be used individually or in sets and each image depicts historical events and/or lifestyle of Roma people:

1. Roma traditional lifestyle
2. Roma traditional crafts
3. Roma dancers and musicians
4. Roma in the Second World War
5. Roma Now, Roma in the UK

Learners can be encouraged to find out about Roma people through questioning the detail in the postcards and photographs, and their stories.

Working in pairs, small groups and with a member of staff, learners can come up with as many words as they can, associated with the picture:

To enable discussion and find key information.

For example, about what they can see, the environment, the place, time of the year, or who is in the image.

To develop vocabulary and describe what they can see.

For example, who and what they see, woman, children, soldier, caravan, the place, fence, baskets, pots, the weather, names of musical instruments or what is happening in the image.

Additional questions that enable further discussion and understanding using visual evidence:

Learners to give reasons, site the visual evidence in the postcards or photographs and to make connections to understand Roma history, key events, lifestyle and life changes for Roma people and some of the effects on their lives.

1. Roma traditional lifestyle

Why did Roma people make journeys? Compare how people travelled historically with today's modes of transport.

2. Roma traditional crafts

What are some of Roma people's traditional skilled crafts and work? Compare historical work opportunities to today's opportunities.

3. Roma dancers and musicians

Listen to some Roma music, identify the instruments being played, what does the music make you think about or feel, and how might you dance to this music?

4. Roma in the Second World War

Why were Roma people persecuted? Compare and contrast the Roma and Jewish experience of persecution.

5. Roma Now, Roma in the UK

Who in the picture would you like to learn about and why? What can you tell or guess about this Roma person's life?