

Lesson 5

History and housing in Scotland

Third and fourth level

SOCs: 3-04A, 3-16A, 4-04A

Suggested learning intention: To consider past and present inequality and poverty in Scotland.

Teachers' Notes

Please note that the statistics in this lesson are correct as of October 2017.

We recently created an online Scottish housing timeline. A detailed, interactive and exciting resource which takes the viewer through changes in housing in Scotland from the 1920s up to the present day.

We are keen that this lesson is not too prescriptive. After conversations with secondary school teachers, we felt that with this resource, we are best to leave it to teachers to decide how the housing timeline would work in their classroom.

Scotland's housing timeline can be found online [here](#).

Lesson suggestions have included:

- Compare and contrast a period of housing history in Scotland to that of today, or with that of another country visited in the curriculum.
- Setting a homework task, for pupils to go away and ask an older relative about their experience of housing.
- Set a creative writing task on how they might feel if they were exposed to some of the conditions mentioned in one of the periods of history.

Other

- The statistics tab reveals the Scotland's housing situation today.
- We'd be really interested to hear how you found this, and any recommendations you might have for other teachers.