

History: Homes in the Past: 4th, 5th & 6th Class

1. What is an artefact?

- ☐ (A) The remains or impression of a prehistoric plant or animal embedded in rock and preserved in petrified form
- ☐ (B) A person who studies human history and prehistory
- ☐ (C) An object made by a human being, typically one of cultural or historical interest

2. Identify this artefact found in homes long ago.

- ☐ (A) Radio
- ☐ (B) Television
- ☐ (C) Gramophone



3. Which of these artefacts was used to wash clothes in homes long ago?

- ☐ (A) Skillet Pot
- ☐ (B) Mangle
- ☐ (C) Chamber Pot



4. True or False: In the past water was brought in to the house from the water pump outside.

- ☐ (T) True
- ☐ (F) False

5. What was the skillet pot used for in homes long ago?

- ☐ (A) It was used to cook porridge.
- ☐ (B) It was a portable toilet, meant for use at night-time in the bedroom
- ☐ (C) It was a type of basin that was used to wash at night-time.



6. True or False. This iron from homes in the past was powered with electricity.

- ☐ (T) True
- ☐ (F) False



7. Which part of the milk was used to make butter in a butter churn in homes long ago?

- ☐ (A) Curds
- ☐ (B) Whey
- ☐ (C) Cream



8. True or False: Cows were milked by hand in a cow shed called a byre in the past.

- ☐ (T) True
- ☐ (F) False

9. What do we use instead of the pictured object today?



10. Which of these jobs were children responsible for in homes long ago? Take care! There may be more than one answer.

- (A)** Emptying the potties
- (B)** Cutting turf in the bog
- (C)** Going to the well for water.