

‘All Change’
Lesson 6: The Garden – Part II



Curriculum focus – History and Literacy – Reminiscence and story writing

Look at and discuss these pictures using the Teacher’s Notes. In the 18th century, Victoria’s grandmother, Queen Charlotte, had kept an elephant and a zebra in the gardens when the Palace was still Buckingham House. Some of the animals Prince Albert kept in the gardens were gazelles, peacocks, Indian goats and parrots.

Ask the class about their own pets or the pet that they would like to have. Do they know if their parents, grandparents, extended or close family friends had any strange pets or weird pet adventures? Pupils should prepare a questionnaire that they could use to find out. A family member could be invited into class to tell their pet story.

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Writing Activities

Create a display in the book corner or literacy area with the questionnaires and stories. Make a recording or film some of the stories being told.

Inspired by the family pet stories or by the exotic pets at Buckingham Palace, make a picture book for the Nursery or Reception Class.

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