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Visiting an archive or museum

Inside the archive



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The archive has many photographs that can show you the history of Newham. They are kept carefully in box files on shelves.

The archivist who works in the archive can help you find particular topics or you can look through and see what you find interesting.



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There are many books and pamphlets about the history of Newham as well as books about London which contain interesting stories and facts about east London.

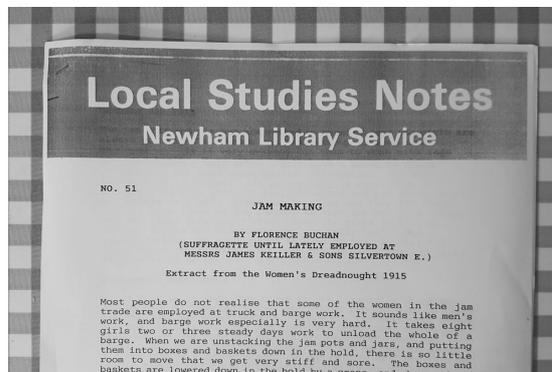
The library is for reference only so you can't borrow books but you can read them and make notes.



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Because the archive has old photographs, books and records they have to be treated with care. You are not allowed to use a pen but they do provide pencils for you to borrow if you want to take notes!

They will also take photocopies for you but you can't take photos.



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The archive has a collection of Local Studies Notes. They are stories about London which were first published in newspapers and magazines.

This one tells us about how hard women had to work unloading jars of jam in the docks.

Answer the questions: underline the correct answer.

1. What do the photos in the archive show us?

the history of Newham the history of Essex the history of the UK

2. Where are the photos kept?

in albums on a computer in box files

True or False.

3. You can take the archive's books home.

True False

4. You can't use a pen in the archive.

True False

5. You can take photos but not photocopies.

True False

6. Local Studies Notes were first published in newspapers and magazines.

True False

What do you think it would be like in the archive?

Discuss it with a partner and tick all the words you agree with.

quiet clean dusty dull peaceful
noisy busy serious exciting interesting