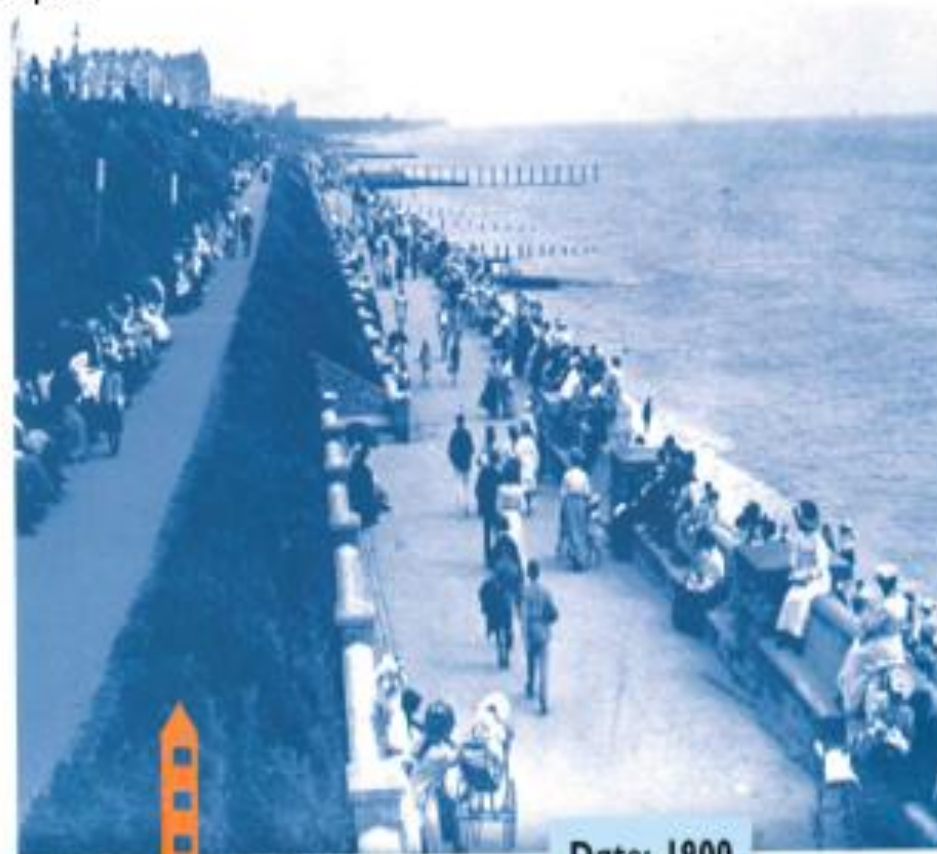


What people used to do at the seaside

The Promenade – People used to love to stroll along the promenade after spending some time on the beach. Some people walked along the promenade to a fairground, such as the Blackpool Pleasure Beach. Others visited parks, cafes, shops or the pier.



Date: 1900

Lots of people sit and enjoy the view of the sea, or watch others stroll along the promenade.

Picnics and Treats – many people have always taken a picnic with them for a day out to the seaside. Your grandparents may remember stalls selling seafood, such as cockles and oysters, or buying fish and chips wrapped in newspaper. They probably bought ice cream between wafers.



Date: 1899

A family picnic around a boat on the beach.



On the beach - Over 100 years ago children used to play on the sand with buckets and spades, just as we do today. They were kept busy with other activities too, such as looking for wildlife in rockpools. There were children's entertainments on the beach. Puppet shows were very popular. Punch and Judy was a traditional favourite puppet show. A donkey ride along the sand was another treat.



Piers - Piers were built at many seaside resorts. Pier owners built dance halls, bandstands, theatres and fairground rides on them to entertain people.



THE PIER, HASTINGS c1890

What would you do at the seaside?



In the past

Today

They would do....

Today we would do....
