

Family trail guide to Allenheads

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Allenheads may seem a quiet village today, but once upon a time it was very different. One of the busiest lead mines in the country was here.

**Set your time travel
dial for AD1875...**

Reuben



Maisie

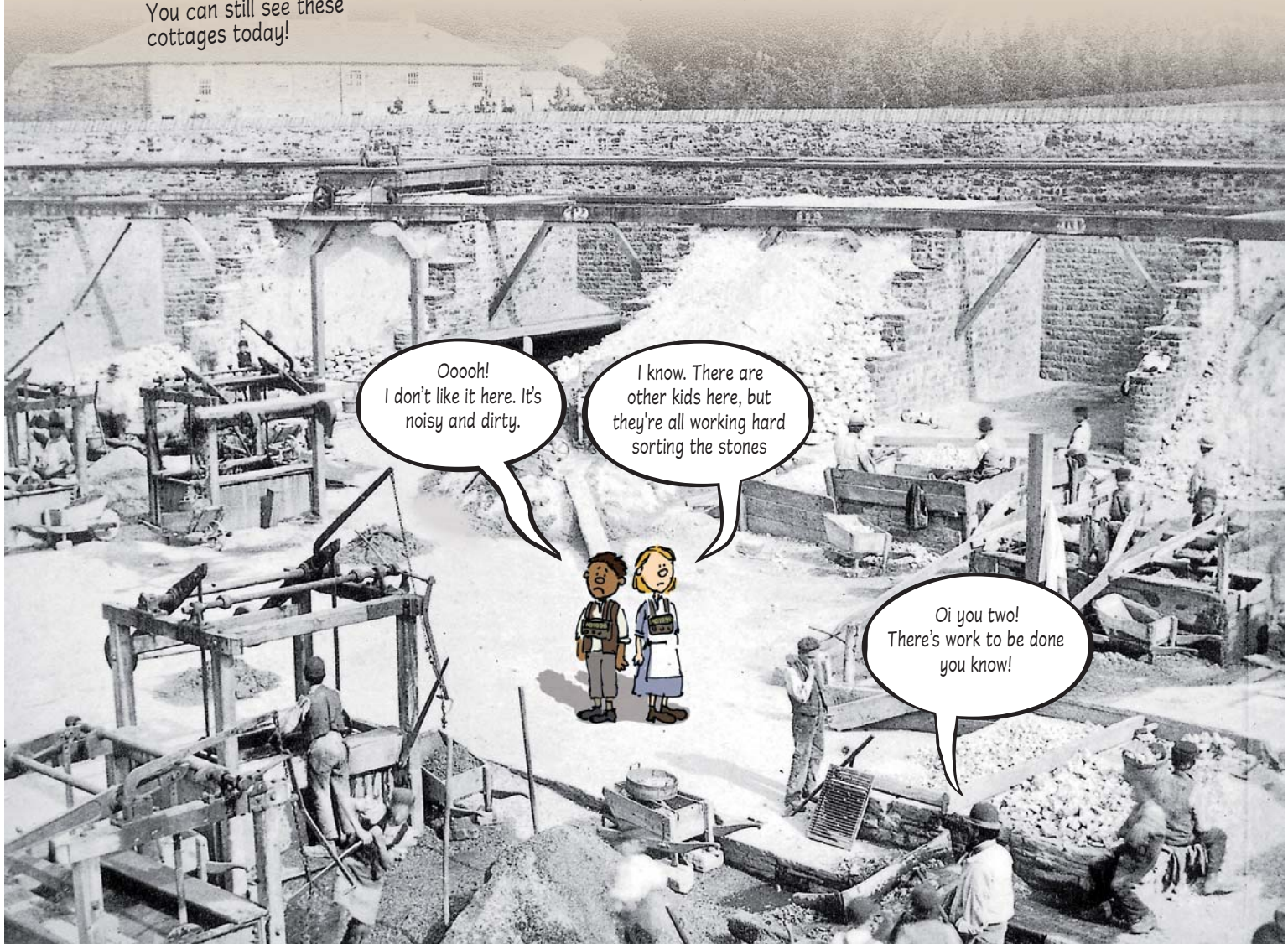


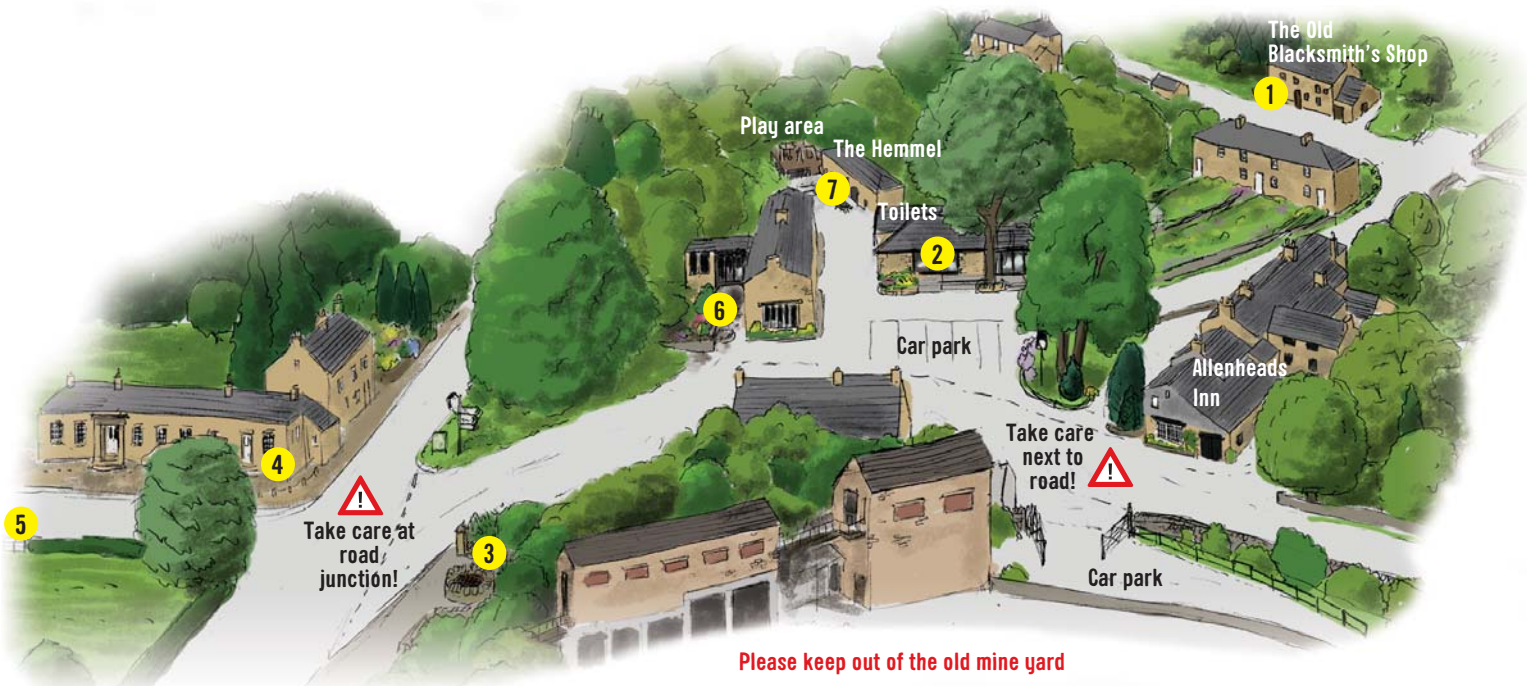
**On the other side
of this sheet is a
map of the village.
Find the numbered
stopping points and
try to answer the
question.**

**Look for panels
around the village.
They will tell you
more about things
you see and help
you with your
answers.**

**As you travel back over 100 years
Allenheads feels quite different. You can
recognise some of the same buildings,
but this was a busy, bustling time!**

*You can still see these
cottages today!*





Please keep out of the old mine yard

Follow this trail around the village. Fill the answers to the questions below in on the grid to find what job Reuben and Maisie had to do in 1875.

Allenheads time trail quiz

- 1 What past industry is Allenheads famous for?
- 2 What did Lord Armstrong build to pump the water from the mines?
- 3 How did the miners get underground at Gin Hill Shaft?
- 4 Stand on the corner with the building behind you (the old mine offices), and look up the hill to see where children had to go every day – they musn't be late!
- 5 What went underground here?
- 6 What makes the water orange?
- 7 Which animals once lived in the hemmel? (Stop for a hot chocolate once you've finished the quiz!)

Write your answers to each question next to the right number here!

Your main answer will appear in the darker circles!

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Take your time at the Old Blacksmith's Shop!

There's lots to see here. Downstairs is the old 'smithy', with the original hearth bellows and some of the tools on display. Smiths did a very important job in the village. They made and repaired tools and machinery for the farmers and the miners. They also made horseshoes for the mine ponies and pack horses.



Upstairs there is a model of the village during the time of the mines and a model made of metal rods that shows the tunnels underground. The display tells you more about lead mining and the history of the area.

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