

# Lesson Plan 1

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| <b>Grade 4, Term 1</b> | <b>Social Science: History</b> | <b>Lesson Topic:</b> Learning about our local history |
| <b>Lesson 1 of 4</b>   | <b>CAPS reference:</b> page 34 | <b>Total time:</b> 1 hour                             |

## Aims

- Create an understanding of what a source is
- Create an understanding of how sources are relevant to learning history
- Develop visual literacy through analysis of images

## Resources

Worksheet

## Introductory activity

- Introduce the topic and find out what the learners know sources through discussion.
- Emphasise the importance of valid unbiased, and accurate sources and how to identify them

## Questions

10 minutes

- How do we find information on the past? • What do you know about sources?
- Can anything be a source? • Are sources always trustworthy? Why?
- How do we choose which source is the best?

## Activity: Local History Worksheet

30 minutes

- Read through the first page of the worksheet
- Have the learners work in pairs in analysing the picture and discussing and completing the questions
- After 15 minutes, introduce the second page image and have the pairs then continue to discuss and complete the questions
- Give encouragement where required

## Consolidation

20 minutes

- Re-enforce the concept of an accurate source
- Discuss what was observed in the pictures touching on some of the worksheet questions
- Read through the comprehension and questions and either have learners complete the comprehension in class or for homework as time allows

## Outcomes

Terms: (see worksheet)

- Learners understand the purpose of sources
- Learners are able to analyse images and compare images
- Learners are able to engage with text and images and accurately interpret and answer questions about text and images with some guidance

- Source
- Analyse
- Biased and unbiased
- Investigate

## Means of Assessment

Either to be marked in class or by teacher  
Marks per section: 6+13+8+12

**Total Marks for entire worksheet: 36 Marks**

(Adderley Street article adapted from <http://www.sahistory.org.za/dated-event/electric-lights-are-installed-adderley-street-cape-town>)

# Learning about our local history

Name:

**When investigating our past, we need to look at various things and resource information that helps us understand who we are. These things are called sources.**

**What do you think sources can be? Write down six examples:**

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## LET US INVESTIGATE!

An investigator is someone who asks questions to find out more about something.

**Look at the picture below of Adderley Street in Cape Town taken in 1921:**



*Flower sellers, Adderley Street, Cape Town*

*Image: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~kerkham/CapeTownAdderleyStreet-postcard1921.jpg>*

- 1. What do you see in the picture?**
- 2. How can we tell that this picture is showing a time period long ago?**
- 3. What else do you notice about the people in the picture?**
- 4. What do you think is different now, compared to then?**
- 5. Have you ever been to Adderley Street and seen the flower sellers?**
- 6. Describe what is happening in the picture.**

# Learning about our local history



*Festive season lights, Adderley Street, Cape Town*

*Image: <http://citysightseeing-blog.co.za/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2011/01/Citysightseeing-CapeTown-NightTour-2011-tw020.jpg>*

## LET US COMPARE:

On the left, we see a photograph of the festive season lights in Adderley Street, taken in 2011.

- 1. What major differences do you notice in this photograph, compared to the previous one?**
- 2. What types of technology can you identify in the picture?**
- 3. What can you see in this picture that would not be in the previous picture?**

Adderley Street is possibly the most historically rich street in Cape Town. It gets its name from the man who did not want the British to turn Cape Town into a convict colony or a place for prisoners to be sent, Charles B. Adderley.

On 13 October 1881, Adderley Street got its first electric lights.

Today the street is very popular place for tourists to visit. It is also close to other historical places like the Old Slave Lodge Museum, Groote Kerk (the oldest church in South Africa) and the Company Gardens. It has also been home to flower sellers for over 100 years.

During Christmas time, the street comes alive with decorative Christmas lights that locals and tourists love to come and see.

- 1. How many years ago did Adderley Street get electric lights?**
- 2. How many years after the first picture of the flower sellers was the picture of the festive season lights taken?**
- 3. Who was Adderley Street named after?**
- 4. Why was this man famous?**
- 5. What other historical landmarks are near Adderley Street?**
- 6. Why do you think tourists like visiting Adderley Street?**
- 7. In which month can you expect to see the festive season lights?**
- 8. Why do you think it is important to look at pictures of our past?**
- 9. Do you think you would have liked to have lived in the time of the first picture of Adderley Street? Why/Why not?**

# Answer sheet

## LET US INVESTIGATE!

**Look at the picture below of Adderley Street in Cape Town taken in 1921:**

### 1. What do you see in the picture? (2)

A street filled with vendors and flower sellers.  
People walking in the street.  
Old buildings.  
Horses and carts.

### 2. How can we tell that this picture is showing a time period long ago? (3)

The people's clothing is old-fashioned.  
We do not use horse and carts anymore.  
There is no modern technology in the picture.  
The road is not tarred.

### 3. What else do you notice about the people in the picture? (2)

Not many people are buying flowers.  
There are poor and rich people in the picture and some poor people are barefoot.  
Lots of children are selling flowers.  
The ladies are all wearing long skirts and hats.

### 4. What do you think is different now, compared to then? (3)

People no longer use horse carts in the city.  
The flower sellers have shops or vendor areas on the pavement and not in the street.  
Fashion has changed a lot.  
People do not wear hats as much.  
People have a lot more electronic technology.

### 5. Have you ever been to Adderley Street and seen the flower sellers? (1)

As applicable

### 6. Describe what is happening in the picture. (2)

Flower sellers are standing in the middle of the street as people walk past them going about their business. It looks like a busy day. There are people walking around in old-fashioned clothing.

# Answer sheet

## LET US COMPARE:

- 1. What major differences to you notice in this photograph, compared to the previous one? (2)**

There are fewer people on the street.  
The photograph was taken at night,  
This is a much more modern picture of Adderley Street.  
There are no flower sellers in this picture.

- 2. What types of technology can you identify in the picture? (3)**

Cars, electric lights, street lights, traffic lights, festive season lights.

- 3. What can you see in this picture that would not be in the previous picture? (3)**

A zebra crossing, cars, electric lights, street signs, tarred roads.

## ADDERLEY STREET COMPREHENSION:

- 1. How many years ago did Adderley Street get electric lights? (1)**

$2015 - 1881 = 134$  years

- 2. How many years after the first picture of the flower sellers was the picture of the festive season lights taken? (1)**

$2015 - 1921 = 94$  years

- 3. Who was Adderley Street named after? (1)**

Charles B. Adderley

- 4. Why was this man famous? (1)**

He did not want the Cape becoming a convict colony.

- 5. What other historical landmarks are near Adderley Street? (3)**

Die Groote Kerk as well as The Company Gardens and the old Slave Lodge

- 6. Why do you think tourists like visiting Adderley Street? (1)**

It is a famous street because of its origins and its lights.

- 7. In which month can you expect to see the festive season lights? (1)**

December

- 8. Why do you think it is important to look at pictures of our past? (1)**

It gives us a different view of what was going on and it is a good resource to see what people of the past thought was important as photographs were expensive.

- 9. Do you think you would have liked to have lived in the time of the first picture of Adderley Street? Why/Why not? (2)**

No/Yes and a reason e.g. Yes, as the world was a simpler place then as there were few to none electronic devices.