



EDUCATION AT BODMIN JAIL

**EMBARK ON AN IMMERSIVE
EDUCATIONAL JOURNEY AT
BODMIN JAIL, WHERE HISTORY
UNFOLDS AND YOUNG MINDS ARE
IGNITED WITH KNOWLEDGE.**



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We have had a brilliant two days with you. Our students enjoyed every moment of the trip, and their knowledge of crime and punishment has been enriched thanks to your efforts.

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Your tour guides were so engaging and the students really enjoyed how they delivered the history of the site.

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We all had a wonderful experience today, and the students have not stopped talking about their trip to the Jail. All three tour guides were amazing!

WELCOME TO BODMIN JAIL



Bodmin Jail ran as a prison from 1779 to 1923. Housing men, women and children, the jail saw over 55 known executions, many of which were carried out in public to the entertainment of thousands of people. Its history reflects the cultural and social changes from the Georgians to the modern day and its landmark design is testament to the Cornish powerhouse of the Victorian period.

Now preserved as part of a passion project, Bodmin Jail Museum provides a world-class educational offering from KS1 through to higher education. Your students will experience the immersive Dark Walk, showcasing Cornwall's rich and fascinating past and be immersed in Georgian and Victorian social history. A visit to Bodmin Jail can hit many different subjects on the National Curriculum, including History, PSHE, Local Studies and many more. Whether you choose to have a dedicated Heritage Guide or go on a teacher led experience, our commitment is to inspire, enthuse and enrich your students learning. However you chose to visit us, our Heritage Team are here to support you and your students and to make sure your experience is organised, beneficial and minutely planned.

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KS1

YEARS 1/2 AGES 5-7

Subjects:
History,
Local History,
PSHE



MEET THE VICTORIANS

Our KS1 tour is designed to deliver curriculum-based education that enriches your students' studies and brings to life the Victorians. Your students will learn what life was like during the reign of Queen Victoria and how it relates to us today.

RESOURCES

- Teaching aids
- Activity pack
- Dedicated Heritage Guide

OUTCOMES

- An understanding of who the Victorians were
- An introduction to Queen Victoria
- Perceptions of the poor/prisons and workhouses in society
- The expansion of towns and cities

KS2

YEARS 3/4/5/6

AGES 7-11

Subjects:

History,
Local study,
English,
Design and
Technology,
PSHE

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

Our KS2 tour delivers curriculum-based education that brings to life the changes in crime and punishment, offers an engaging introduction to the Victorians and is an invaluable case study for local history. Students will be encouraged to produce creative writing diary entries, have a go at making gruel and take part in prison exercises

RESOURCES

- 5 week lesson plan
- education pack
- lesson planner
- Classroom activities

Week 1/2 classroom based, teacher led with materials provided

Week 3 visit to Bodmin Jail

- Tour of the jail
- Dedicated Heritage Guide

Week 4/5 classroom based, teach led with materials provided



KS2

YEARS 4/5/6

AGES 7-11

Subjects:

History,
Design and
Technology,
P.E,
English

LIFE INSIDE AS A PRISONER

This KS2 tour delivers curriculum-based education that brings to life the changes in crime and punishment. Your students will experience first-hand examples of hard labour, the prison rules and regulations and sample prison food.

RESOURCES

- Lesson plan and education pack
- Creative writing
- Tour of the Jail
- Dedicated Heritage Guide



KS3

YEARS 7/8/9/10

AGES 11-16

Subjects:
History,
English,
Design and
Technology,
PSHE

EXECUTION JOURNALISM

This KS3 tour delivers curriculum-based education that provides your students with a immersive introduction to how the Georgians and the Victorian reported on crime and punishment and how society embraced the scandal of crime.

RESOURCES

- Lesson plan and education pack
- Creative writing
- Study of broadside newspapers
- Creation of own article with illustrations
- Tour of the Jail
- Dedicated Heritage Guide



KS3

YEARS 7/8/9/10

AGES 11-16

Subjects:
History,
Local History,
Design and
Technology,
P.E,
English

CHANGES TO CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

Our KS3 tour is designed to deliver curriculum-based education that enriches your students' studies and gives them a greater understanding of the changes to crime and punishment from the Georgians to the modern day. Covering the Bloody Code, post mortem punishments, grave robbers and debtors' jails, this tour introduces students to the changes in society that led the Victorians to make fundamental alterations to execution and which coloured their perception of what a criminal was.

RESOURCES

- Lesson plan and education pack
- Creative writing
- Study of broadside newspapers
- Creation of own article with illustrations
- Tour of the Jail
- Dedicated Heritage Guide

KS3

YEARS 7/8/9/10

AGES 11-16

Subjects:
History,
LocalHistory,
English,

GOTHIC LITERATURE

Our KS3 tour is designed to deliver curriculum-based education that enriches your students' studies and gives them a greater understanding of the emergence of Gothic Literature in the Victorian period. From gothic landscape, buildings and themes, the Victorians embraced the dark and gave us a host of ghouls, monsters and stories that reverberate to this day.

RESOURCES

Lesson plan and education pack

- Creative writing
- Tour of the Jail
- Dedicated Heritage Guide



KS3

YEARS 7/8/9/10

AGES 11-16

Subjects:
History,
Local History,
English

GOTHIC MELODRAMA

Our KS3 tour is designed to deliver curriculum-based education that enriches your students' studies and gives them a greater understanding of the emergence of themes of gothic melodrama in the Victorian period. What were the main character types of gothic melodrama, what moral and social lessons were they imparting and are they relevant today?

RESOURCES

Lesson plan and education pack

- Creative writing
- Drama Workshop
- Tour of the Jail
- Dedicated Heritage Guide



HIGHER EDUCATION

A-LEVEL & UNIVERSITY

GOTHIC LITERATURE

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RESOURCES

- Tour of the Jail
- Dedicated Heritage Guide



HIGHER EDUCATION

A-LEVEL & UNIVERSITY

CRIMINOLOGY

Allow our team to take your students back through time to see the beginning of prison reform in Britain. This tour covers John Howard, transportation, execution and of course the changes to our criminal justice system along the way.

RESOURCES

- Tour of the Jail
- Dedicated Heritage Guide

KS2 & KS3

YEARS
3/4/5/6/7/8/9/10

AGES 7-16

Subjects:
History,
English,
Local History

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

If your students are studying A Christmas Carol then our 'A Christmas Carol' guided tour offers an immersive and interactive experience that will take them into the world of Scrooge. Meet the Ghosts of Past, Present and Future and gain an insight into the key theming of this seminal piece of literature. Why did Dickens write it? What was his message and why does it still resonate today?

RESOURCES

- Lesson plan and education pack
- Creative writing v
- Tour of the Jail
- Dedicated Heritage Guide



KS3 & HIGHER EDUCATION

YEARS 7/8/9/10+

AGES 11+

Subjects:
Travel & Tourism

TRAVEL & TOURISM

For students who are studying Travel and Tourism, Bodmin Jail makes for a fascinating case study. Your students will experience our museum through the eyes of a customer on a standard entry visit.

Once completed they will then have the chance of a one-to-one Q&A session with members of the Bodmin Jail Team. This will allow your students to gain knowledge of the commercial side of the business from all aspects. This includes revenue stream, visitor numbers and marketing strategies.

RESOURCES

- Self-guided Tour of the Jail
- Q&A session

BESPOKE TOURS

If you can't find your subject of study in the tours listed, our team can cater to the needs of your students to create a carefully crafted experience to enjoy and enhance their learning.

Below are a few examples of bespoke tours we've created in the past:

Video Game Development – Tour focused on the architecture of the building

Cornish Folklore – From the Beast of Bodmin to Piskies and Knockers

(Please note that one month's notice is required to create a bespoke product)

SEMH EXPERIENCES

Bodmin Jail is a wonderful experience for people from all walks of life and we are also fully accessible.

We are aware that for persons with certain needs and challenges, a fully guided traditional tour may not be your preferred option.

Therefore we are delighted to offer SEMH friendly teacher/carer lead visits with a heritage guide on hand to assist and answer any questions you or your students may have.

TEACHER LED TOURS

Some teachers prefer to lead their own students through our museum.

We are happy to provide any resources you might wish to use to aid in your students studies and assist on site with anything you may need during your visit with us.

WHAT IS INCLUDED

- Free pre-planning visit for up to two teachers
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- Dedicated award winning Heritage Guides for Guided Tours
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- Assistance for teacher led visits
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- Lesson planning & resources
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- Risk Assessment
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- A Voucher for free return entry for every student

HOW DO WE MAKE AN ENQUIRY?

To make an enquiry about a visit for you and your students, either:

Call us on **01208 76292** Or Email us at **Groups@bodminjailattraction.co.uk**

We look forward to welcoming you and your students to the Bodmin Jail experience!