



History Topic: How did mining affect our local area?

Year: 5 **Term:** Summer 1

Key Knowledge/Content:

- **Chronological understanding-** Know that mining was important to our local area in history.
- **Historical enquiry-** Ask questions to find out about mining in the past.
- **Interpretations of the past-** Look at a range of sources to learn about mining in the past.
- **Knowledge and understanding-** Understand why mining was dangerous for workers.
- **Compare and contrast-** Compare how the local area landscape has changed over time.

Links to:

Prior learning:

Compare maps from the 1900s to modern maps of the local area.

Future learning:

Understand how war and illness impacted our local area.

Key vocabulary with definition:

Prior vocabulary:

- Willenhall- Our local town.
- Mining- The process of digging up resources, for example coal for fuel.
- Mine shaft- A hole in which resources can be transported to the surface.
- Coal- A material that can be burned for fuel.
- Canal- A water system in which boats carry resources around.

New vocabulary:

- Energy sources- A place where resources used for energy can be found.
- Injury- Damage to body.
- Fatality- A death.
- Hazardous- Dangerous.
- Average- A rough estimate based on information.

By the end of this unit

All children can: **know** what mining was like in our local area and **label** some of the mine shaft locations using historic maps.

Most children can: **use** photos to discuss what mining was like and **explain** the types of tools that were used.

Some children can: **explain** why mining decreased in our local area and **explain** how mining affected individuals in our local area.

Background understanding for teachers and parents:

In this unit, children will explore the mining system which existed in Willenhall in the past.

If you can offer any old photos or memories of mining in Willenhall, please contact the school or your child's class teacher.

Curriculum Driver (one):

Healthy Lifestyle

Evidence outcome:

Understand how mining was dangerous to the health of workers, leading to long-term health problems and injured.