

When Grandma was young

Long, long ago, before the second world war, when Grandma was young, life be very different from what it is today.

There no television, no cell phones, and no computers, so children play outside much more than they do today. They climb trees, swim in rivers, and play games like hide-and-seek, catch-me-if-you-can, and many other exciting games. And, of course, they also read much more than the average child does today.

They naughty at times, of course, and use their active imaginations to think up all sorts of mischievous schemes which sometimes get them in hot water! But, on the whole, children show more respect to their elders than is common today.

Schools much stricter in those days, and after playing outside, the teacher inspect their hands to make sure that they were clean. Children with dirty hands have to stay in class during break or recess and write out lines about the importance of clean hands!

My granny the whole class having to do this once, because the teacher them on numerous occasions to their hands properly! The children a very exciting game called 'stuck-in-the-mud' during recess and most of them the all-important 'clean hands' rule.

Boys woodwork in school and girls learn how to cook simple meals.

The way they dressed also be very different in those times. Little boys wear trousers which ended below the knees, and they also braces to keep their trousers up.

Little girls wear dresses which were just above the knee. Boys wear their hair cut short, and girls tie their hair up with a ribbon, in a ponytail or plaits.

Life be much simpler then and children have a lot of fun playing outside.