



# St White's Primary School - History



Phase: KS1

Topic: How have houses and homes in the Forest of Dean changed over time?  
How do houses in the Forest of Dean compare to houses in Chembakolli?

## What should I already know?

- I live in the Forest of Dean.
- Cinderford is in the Forest of Dean.
- Houses were different in the past to what they are now.
- Houses in other countries and continents are often different to houses in England.

## Key facts-Chembakolli

- Chembakolli is a village in the South of India.
- There are only around 100 houses in Chembakolli.
- The Adivasi tribe live in the village of Chembakolli.
- Homes in Chembakolli are huts built among the trees by the Adivasi people. These traditional homes are built with wood, mud and a thatched roof. More modern homes are now built with tiled roofs.
- The houses have only one or two rooms, sometimes with a veranda outside.
- These houses are mainly used to store belongings in and sleep in. People live outside the house most of the time.



## Historical Skills and Enquiry

- Ask questions about houses in the Forest of Dean and Chembakolli.
- Compare houses over time. What is the same/different?
- Compare houses in the Forest of Dean to houses in Chembakolli. What is the same/different?
- Use words and phrases such as: a long time ago, recently, years, decades and centuries to describe the passing of time in relation to houses and homes.
- Explore how houses have changed over time and why.

## Values

Challenge	Why is it challenging to build houses in Chembakolli?
Commit	How did the miners in the Forest of Dean and the Adivasis in Chembakolli commit to building houses?
Conquer	How have houses changed over time to better protect those who live inside them?
Celebrate	How can we celebrate the developments in housing over time in Chembakolli and Cinderford?

## Key facts- Forest of Dean

- The Forest of Dean is a region in Gloucestershire.
- Cinderford is in the Forest of Dean.
- The largest towns in the Forest of Dean are Coleford, Lydney and Cinderford.
- There are around 35,000 houses in the Forest of Dean.
- There are different types of houses in the Forest of Dean including detached, semi-detached, terraced, flats and bungalows.
- Mining cottages were built in the 1800s in the Forest of Dean to house miners who worked in the coal and iron mines.
- Miners cottages were built close together in rows. This is called terraced housing.



## Technical vocabulary

house	a building that is made for people to live in
home	the place where you live
detached house	a house that is not joined to another house
semi-detached house	a house that is joined to another house on one side
terraced house	a house that is part of a row of houses joined at the side walls.
flats	a home that is part of a larger building
bungalow	a single storey house
miners	people who work in a mine
mining cottages	terraced cottages built to house workers in mining villages
population	the number of people living in a country, city or area
settlement	places where people live and sometimes work
village	a small settlement with a small number of people. Most villages are in the countryside.
town	a type of settlement that is bigger than a village but smaller than a city
Forest of Dean	a region in Gloucestershire between the River Severn and River Wye
Cinderford	a town in the Forest of Dean
Chembakolli	a village in the Nilgiri Hills area of India
Adivasis	the tribal people who live and work in the Nilgiri Hills