



Pioneer Program Activity

I Am a Historian

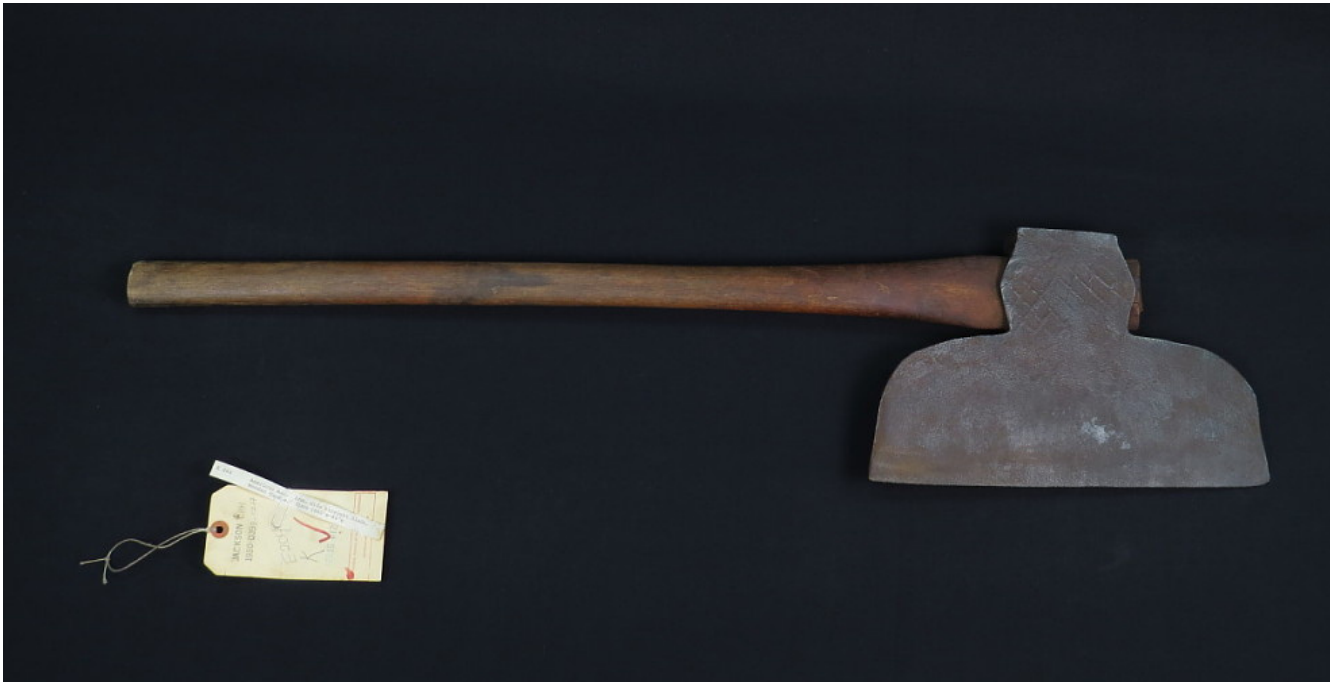
During this activity, we are going to learn about history just like historians do! This packet includes a photograph, an object from the past, and paragraph from a book. We will study these items to discover how pioneers lived in Dearborn during the 1830s. You will be given time to observe the items, and write down what you notice on this work sheet. Then, you can share what you discovered with the rest of your class!

1. What does this object show us about pioneer life? When pioneers came to Michigan were there already houses?

2. What does this photo show us about pioneer life? Did they have grocery stores like us or did they grow their own food?

3. What does this book passage tell us about pioneer life?
Did pioneers live in the city like we do?

1. Object



Hey kids! Bucky the beaver here to give you a clue!
This is a axe, and would have been used by pioneers to cut down trees to make log cabins and clear land for farming.



2. Photograph



This photo shows pioneer children helping their parents in the family garden.



3. Book Paragraph

"Once upon a time, sixty years ago, a little girl lived in the Big Woods of Wisconsin, in a little gray house made of logs.

The great, dark trees of the Big Woods stood all around the house, and beyond them were other trees and beyond them were more trees. As far as a man could go to the north in a day, or a week, or a whole month, there was nothing but woods.

There were no houses. There were no roads. There were no people. There were only trees and the wild animals who had their homes among them."

Little House In The Big Woods

by

Laura Ingalls Wilder