

EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES

1.

During the play, both our narrator and the audience, discover how relevant the cotton industry was/is to Bolton. We discover lots of facts about the mill workers' real life experiences, through listening to our narrator's great grandma, recounting stories from her past.

2.

Children will be encouraged to respect the older generation and appreciate that older people have lived full and interesting lives. Children will also be encouraged to discover and appreciate the way in which past events have shaped the world we live in today.

3.

Through this piece, children will learn about Bolton's industrial heritage and how the mill workers lived both in, and outside, the mill. Hopefully, they will gain an appreciation of how, and why, the town grew, as well as developing an understanding of how their great - grandparents' and grandparents' lives differed from their own.

4.

The DVD-ROM can be used as stimulus material for many activities in the education pack. Teachers can work with children on creating their own performance of the play, as well as using it as a springboard for many of the curriculum based activities included in the education pack.

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Children may benefit from doing some research; using libraries; the Internet; talking to older relatives or family friends who worked, or knew people who worked, in the cotton mills, would be an excellent way to get information about Bolton's cotton industry.

6.

It is hoped that children will come to appreciate how much society has changed in a relatively short period of time. In particular, they should reflect upon; how choices were much more limited in terms of education/careers/jobs; the status of children and teenagers within the family and society as a whole, compared to today.

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Children should have the opportunity to discuss how the media has influenced young people's dreams and aspirations. Children could consider the pros and cons of having limited/unlimited choices, and then reflect on the aspects of life, that truly offer fulfillment and happiness.

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