

MAKING A LIVING

HASS

Who worked in Toodyay in the past and what was their contribution?

Students will:

- Consider how different people contribute to the community.
- Examine a police record book to identify some past occupations of people around Toodyay.
- Analyse historical photos to find information about the past.

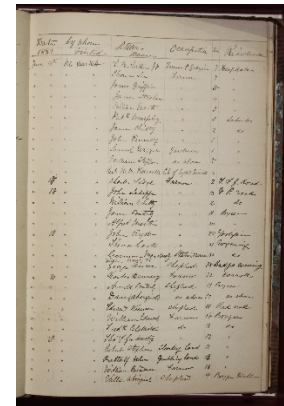
ENGAGE

- What are some jobs that people do in our community today?
- Why do you think their jobs are important?
- How can we find out what jobs who live in our area do?

EXPLORE

Show students a page from the Police Visitor's Book.

- What can you see here?
- What do you think this is?
- What do you wonder about this?



EXPLAIN

- The photo is a page from the Police Visitors Book, which was used a little like a census document. 'Census' is an official count of people who live in a certain area. Today, we have a national census which is taken every five years.
- As a class, look at the transcript of the page. Point out the name *William Warris, T.L.* and explain that 'T.L.' stands for 'Ticket of Leave convict'. Ticket of Leave convicts were well behaved prisoners who could work for wages. Before they got their Ticket of Leave, most worked under guard, building roads and other public works. Ticket of Leave men couldn't leave the area without permission and had to regularly report to the local Magistrate, but they had some choice about who they could work for. Convicts were a valuable source of labour. There is no occupation next to William's name – the reason for this is unknown.
- Point out *Dan (Aboriginal)* and *Willie Aboriginal*. Aboriginal people were also a very important part of the work force. As a rule, they were paid much less than non-Aboriginal workers – in some cases, their only 'wages' were food and clothing. In one of the ledgers, there are about 60 Aboriginal workers mentioned. Most of them were employed as shepherds, but there is also mention of one cutting Sandalwood, two as working as cattle herders and one of emu hunting! Note that Aboriginal people were called by Anglicised names, rather than their proper Aboriginal names, and at that point in time many did not have a surname. Also, they were not included in the official national census until after 1967, when a special vote (called a referendum) gave them that right. (The first time they were included in the census was in 1971).
- Note: 'Land grubbing' refers to the clearing of land of native plants which were poisonous to introduced livestock.

EXTEND

According to this page of the Police Visitor's Book, what was the most common occupation in the area?

Show students some old photos of Toodyay's workers. Students can choose one of the photos and use it to complete the worksheet provided. Discuss:

- What are the people doing in each photo?
- Why do you think their job is important?
- Do you think any people shown in the photographs do a job which was listed in the Police Visitors Book?
- List at least one thing about the past that you can learn by looking at each photograph.

EVALUATE AND REFLECT

- Can you think of any reason why it might be useful to know what sorts of jobs people in the community are doing?
- What would you like to do for a job when you grow up?

Date 1881	by whom visited	Settlers Names	Occupation	his	Residence
June 13 th	Pl. Gaackitt	V. B. Lukins Jr	Farmer & Grazier	7	Deepdale
"	"	Thomas Lee	Farmer	7	"
"	"	James Griffin	"	5	"
"	"	James Strahan	"	4	"
"	"	William Uwert	"	3	"
"	"	Pat ^k Murphy	"	3	Suburbs
"	"	James Chitty	"	2	do
"	"	John Kennedy	"	1	"
"	"	Samuel Bagger	Gardener	1	"
"	"	William Stephens	as above	$\frac{2}{2}$	"
"	"	Rev. W. D. Pidoocke	Ch of Englad Ministe	$\frac{1}{2}$	"
" 17	"	Charles Lloyd	Farmer	2	V. F. Road
" 18	"	John Saliffe	"	13	V. P. Road
"	"	William Chitty	"	16	do
"	"	James Buttery	"	18	Byee
"	"	Alfred Martin	"	20	"
" 19	"	John Ryob	"	25	Yoolipin
"	"	Thomas Cook	"	31	Woyening
"	"	German Maderay	Station Driver	33	do
"	"	George Smeere	Shepherd	38	Badja Waning
" 20	"	Charles Denney	Farmer	22	Carroll
"	"	Andk Buttery	Shepherd	19	Byee
"	"	Dan (Aboriginal)	as above	17	as above
"	"	Edward Keenan	Shepherd	18	Red well
"	"	William Edwards	Farmer	14	Boyer
"	"	Fredk Blackston	do	13	do
" 21 st	"	Thos & Geo Anstry	"	12	"
"	"	Robert Stephens	Clearing land	12	"
"	"	Pattalf Holm	Grubbing land	13	"
"	"	William Beadman	Farmer	16	"
"	"	Willie Aboriginal	Shepherd	9	Boyer Well

Extract from the Newcastle (Toodyay) Police Visitors Book.

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"	"	James Strahan	"	4	"
"	"	William Ewart	"	3	"
"	"	Patk Murphy	"	3	Suburbs
"	"	James Chitty	"	2	"
"	"	John Kennedy	"	1	"
"	"	Samuel Hagger [Haggar]	Gardener	1	"
"	"	William Stephens	"	¾	"
"	"	Rev. W.H. Pidcocke [Pidcock]	Church of England Minister	½	"
17	"	Charles Lloyd	Farmer	2	T. & G. Road
18	"	John Lahiffe [also spelt Lahiff]	"	13	V.P. Road
"	"	William Chitty	"	16	"
"	"	James Butterly	"	18	Byeen
"	"	Alfred Martin	"	20	"
19	"	John Ryder	"	25	Yooligan ??
"	"	Thomas Cook	"	31	Wyening
"	"	German Mardaraz [Gregoire Mardavar]	Station overseer	33	"
"	"	William Warris T.L.	[Blank]	[Blank]	
"	"	George Simcox	Shepherd	38	Badja wanning
20	"	Charles Hennessy	Farmer	22	Carroll
"	"	Arnold Butterly	Shepherd	17	Byeen
"	"	Dan (Aboriginal)	"	17	"
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Tree removal (probably sandalwood), horse and cart

Shire of Toodyay local history collection 2000.56



Harvesting, threshing, carting scene, c. 1900

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Shearing team

Shire of Toodyay local history collection 2000.68



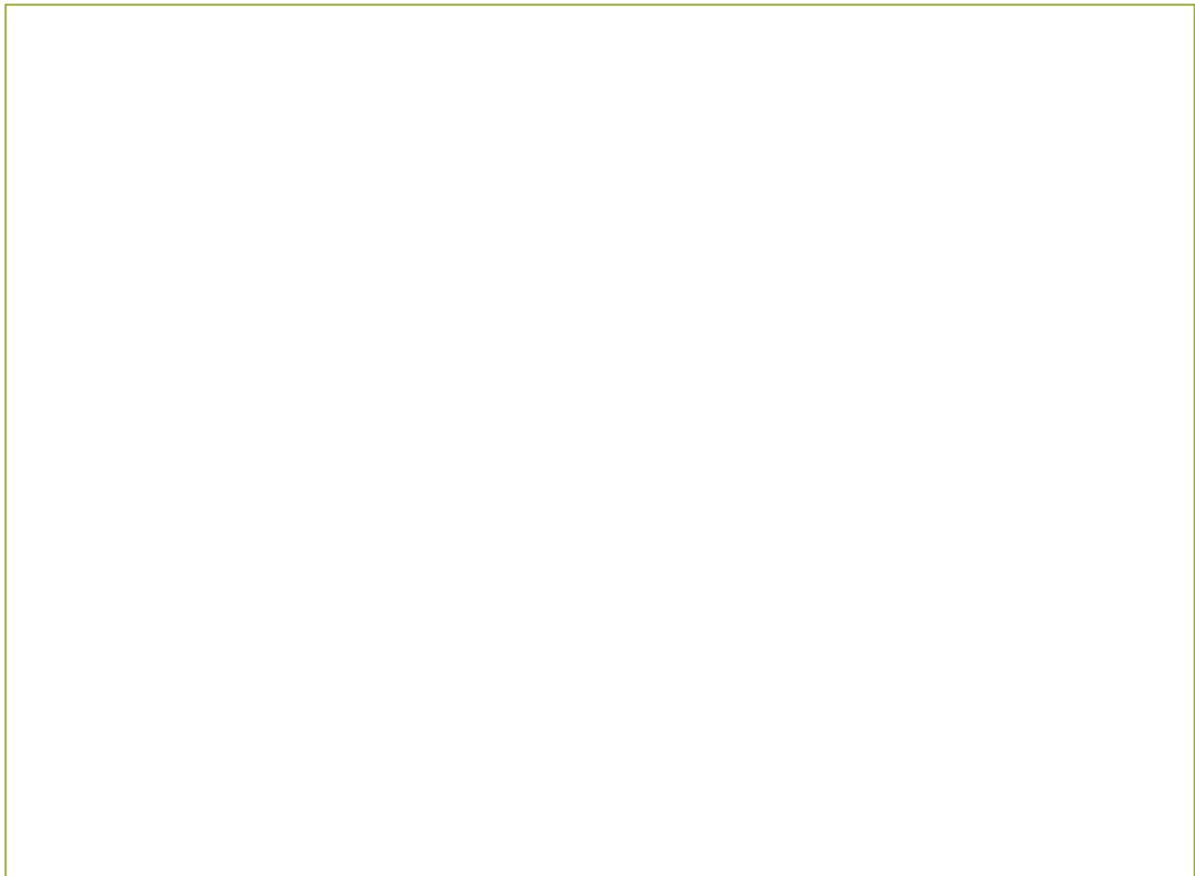
Oliver Whitfield's produce store, with Oliver Whitfield and wife Eva in front.

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Small orchard, vines and James Everett in foreground

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Horse drawn wagon loaded with bags..

Shire of Toodyay local history collection 2014-250

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My photo shows _____

A job title that the person (people) doing this job might have had is _____

Some tasks that people in this occupation might have had to do were _____

The reason this job might have been important is _____

Some things I can learn about the past from this photo are _____

What do you think the worker(s) were thinking at the time when this photo was taken?
