

# POP! TEACHER RESOURCE

## Lesson Plan

### Schools Then and Now

Lesson Plan for *Schools*

Grade 1

#### Objective

To help students identify the differences between two texts about schools, one about schools today and one about schools in the past.

#### Things Needed

- *Schools* book
- Access to the “Schools” web page on the Pop! website:  
<https://popbooksonline.com/places-in-my-community/schools>
- Access to the DK Findout! “Schools Throughout History” website listed on the “Explore Links” tab of the Pop! web page. This website can also be found here:  
<https://www.dkfindout.com/us/explore/schools-throughout-history/>

#### Before the Activity

Open the “Schools” web page in your internet browser. Pull up the “Explore Links” tab and click on the DK Findout! website, “Schools Throughout History.”

#### Activity

Read *Schools* out loud to students. Explain that this book talks about school today. But schools in the past were quite different. Different places had different kinds of schools. Next, turn to the website, which describes six different kinds of schools throughout history. Read the bullet points on the website one at a time. After each bullet point, have students answer the following questions:

- How were these schools similar to schools today?
- How are they different?

#### Evaluation

Could students identify the similarities and differences between schools today and schools of the past?



## **Standards**

This lesson plan may be used to address the Common Core State Standards' reading standards for informational texts, grade 1 (RI 1.3).



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