

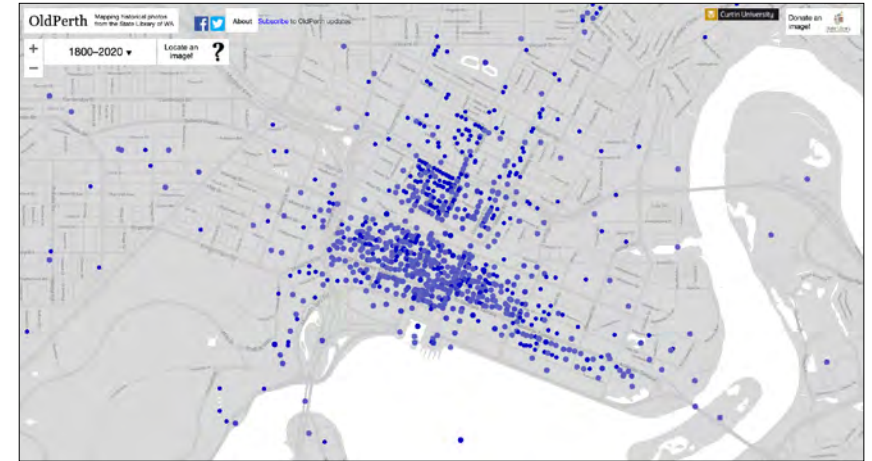
## MAPPING PERTH AND THE STATE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA WITH HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS YEAR 5 WORKSHEET

OldPerth is a project created by the Curtin University HIVE in cooperation with the State Library of Western Australia. [OldPerth.org.au](http://OldPerth.org.au) is a site that provides a unique way of browsing historical photographs from the State Library of Western Australia's collection.

On your device navigate to the [OldPerth](http://OldPerth) website.

1. On the website identify the following on the map:

- The Swan River
- A bridge
- A major road
- Kings Park
- Central Business District (CBD)



2. Practice zooming in and out of the map. Use the +/- icons or roll the wheel on your mouse.

Zoom the map out and find the two dots furthest from Perth.

Zoom into Elizabeth Quay and click on a dot to see the photos. Note the year that the photo dates from \_\_\_\_\_

Can you find photos taken at the same spot from different years?



3. Travel through time using the timeline.

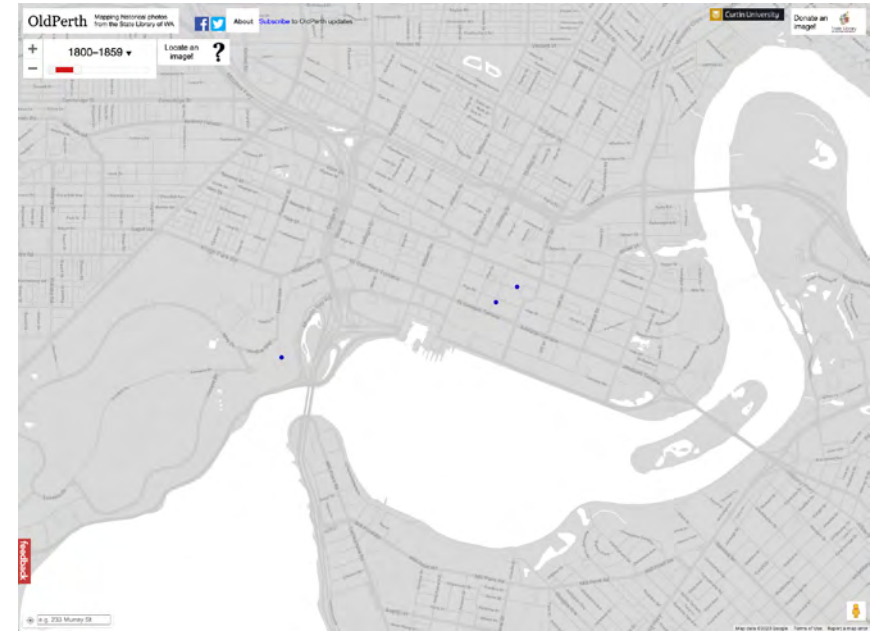
Zoom in to the Perth CBD. Click on the 1800–2020 icon to reveal the timeline. Slide the right-hand end of the timeline to the left until you can see 3–5 dots on the map

Click on two of the dots and study the images linked to the map. Can you find an engraving of the Swan River Colony as seen from Mount Eliza in 1856?

In the bottom left hand corner type the address: 14 Irwin St Perth. Click on the located dot and look at the photograph of Mona Cottage and work through the following questions:

- Can you find the image of the person in the photograph?
- What do you notice about the quality of the photograph, the colour, the edges? How clear is it?
- Find and make a note of the call number for the photograph.
- Describe the landscape that you can see in the photograph. What kind of vegetation do you notice? What does the soil look like?
- Looking at the photograph of Mona Cottage, how do you think the people living there kept warm in winter? Guess what the family living at Mona house used for lighting and for cooking?

Look again at where Mona Cottage is located on the map. What do you think was the water supply for this household?



The person is: \_\_\_\_\_

The call number is: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Using research skills and resources.

Go to the State Library website slwa.wa.gov.au. Enter the call number for the photograph of Mona Cottage (6923B/60) in the search box and click the search icon. Click on the heading for the catalogue entry 'Mona Cottage ...'

Scroll down through the catalogue information. What additional information about the photograph can you find?

Who was the photographer and how was he related to the owner of the house?

How was the house built?

Can you think of any other questions relating to this photograph?

The screenshot shows the State Library of Western Australia website. At the top, there are navigation links: Catalogue Home, e-Everything! +, New Additions, Membership +, Loans, and Catalogue Help. A search bar contains the text '6923b/60' and a search icon. Below the search bar, there are links for 'Back to results', 'Browse Results', and 'Login to My Library Card'. The main content area displays the search results for 'Mona Cottage, on Irwin Street corner of Hay Street, Perth'. It includes the photographer's name, 'Stone, Alfred Hawes, 1801-1873', and the year '1859'. There are also links for 'View Online Media' and 'view the album'. A table of items is shown below, with columns for Location, Call No., Status, NOTE, and Message. The 'Online Media' section shows a thumbnail of the photograph. The 'More Details' section provides metadata for the item, including the call number, description, content type, media type, carrier type, series, and notes.

5. In the OldPerth site select one of the dots in the Perth central business district (CBD) that has a range of photographs from different years. Make a comparison of what has stayed the same and what has changed.

Consider ... building materials, natural space and built space, vehicles, building heights, crowdedness.

Stayed the same	Changed

6. Explore the history of Western Australia.

Now you know how to zoom through time and around map locations, take some time to explore the website OldPerth.

Find photos from different times in history and in different locations.

Make up a question using this resource to encourage other students to discover more about Western Australia's history.

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7. Suggest some answers for the following questions based on your exploration of the OldPerth site:

How would you describe the people involved in the early settlement of the Swan River Colony?

How do you think the buildings have changed the environment?

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8. What's missing?

We can discover a lot about Western Australia from looking at these photographs. But consider who is taking the photographs, who has the technology and who selects the photographs to keep? Who looks at these photographs? If we only used these photographs what kinds of stories do you think we would miss?