

## Canal Families

Tom says: "Hello! My name is Tom Wilson and I am six years old. My sister Mary is four. I live with my family on a canal boat called the Coronis. Here is a picture of my mum, Sarah, and my dad, Bill. Can you draw Mary and me next to our mum and dad?" Look at the models in the museum to help you. There are some clothes that you can try on, too!





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Half of Tom's boat Coronis is in the museum. Can you work out why there is only half the boat here?

Walk into the boat to see where Tom and his family lived 100 years ago.

Tom says: "Most of our boat was for carrying things up and down the canal. Can you find out what we carried?" Look upstairs for some answers.

Write some down here:

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Tom says: "We all had to live in the little space at the back of the boat. We had to do everything there."

Look in the back of the Coronis – we call this the back cabin.

What did Tom's family do in these places? Join the pictures to the right words.

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Sleep



Play

Cook

Tidy up



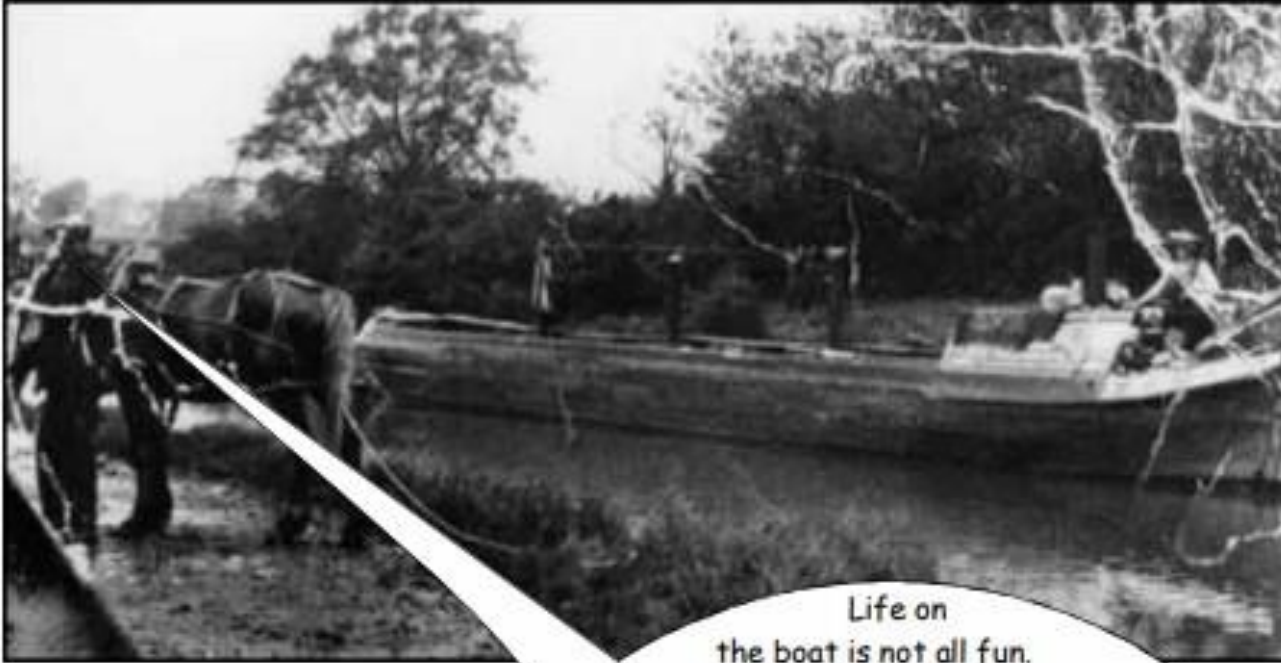
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Tom says:

"Here are some of the special things that we used on the boat. Can you find them in the museum & discover what they were used for?"



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Life on  
the boat is not all fun.

There's a lot of hard work, too. The whole  
family have to help, and money is often very short.

I wish my kids could learn to read, but they can't go  
to school, because we are always moving. They  
don't see their friends very often.

Would you like to live on a canal boat? Talk to your friends about why or why not.