

# THEN AND NOW

## Activity Six



### Objective

To compare photos of your town then to your town now, giving students a concept for how a place changes and what affect population 'growth' and development can have on a town.

### Required materials

- Attached activity sheet
- Internet access

### Task description

1. Ask students to search online for old photos of their town. TIP: Moreton Bay Region Libraries, Local History Page has archives of historical photographs and documents to help you out.
2. Ask students to study the photos they find taking time to reflect on what was then and what is now. How much has changed? What is better? What is worse? What else would they change if they could?
3. Answer the questions to the best of their ability.
4. Ask the students to search online and enter the meanings behind our town names.
5. The last task is for the students to create their own town name and explain the meaning behind it.

### Suggestion

Allowing students to take their time with these tasks will give them the chance to connect with what was and how we have grown from then. Let the students search online for history in our region - allowing them to familiarise themselves with the meaning behind our town names.



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Using the internet search for past photos of your town or suburb.

For example, a bridge you travel over every day, a building that looks older than you.

1. Looking carefully at the photo, write a list of the things that have changed over the years.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

2. List five things you can see in the 'Then' picture that you don't see 'Now'.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Do you think change is important? What else would you change if you could?  
Please explain your thinking.