

The Floods of 1953

Resource Pack for Schools



This pack has been commissioned by the Essex Record Office and was created by Pippa Smith of Handling the Past <http://handlingthepast.co.uk/> working with the support of a range of partners.

The pack contains three PowerPoints and Teachers Notes with background to the events of January 31st, 1953, along with some suggestions for class activities linked to the PowerPoints. Activities have also been provided by the Environment Agency.

The photographs, audio recordings and maps used are also provided as individual files to help you create your own activities.

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Transcripts and additional information about each audio recording

Maps and photographs used in the Teachers' Pack

Main Street today (photograph)

Harwich Flood map

Harwich flooding 1

Harwich flooding 2

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