



Gwalia Stores



Entry 2/Elementary





Before your visit...

Task 1: Read this information about Gwalia Stores.

Where do you shop for food and items for your home? In the supermarket? On the Web? Until about 50 years ago, almost everyone bought everything from a shop like this.

The 'Gwalia' was built next to the railway in Ogmore Vale, and sold goods from all over the world. Tea came from China and India, sugar from the Caribbean and Africa, and coffee beans from Brazil. Local farms supplied bacon, cheese, eggs and butter. Can you imagine the wonderful **aromas**?

William Llewellyn owned the shop. He ran it with his wife Mary and lived upstairs, with his family, at first. **Gradually** he added to the shop by taking over a whole row of buildings. Gwalia Stores were very **successful** and made the Llewellyns a very **wealthy** family. In 1902 they built a **mansion** in Ogmore Vale, and owned the first car in the area.

Gwalia's success didn't last, however. **The Depression** meant that customers **got into debt** and couldn't pay their bills. It finally shut in 1973, because its customers preferred to go to the supermarkets in Bridgend.

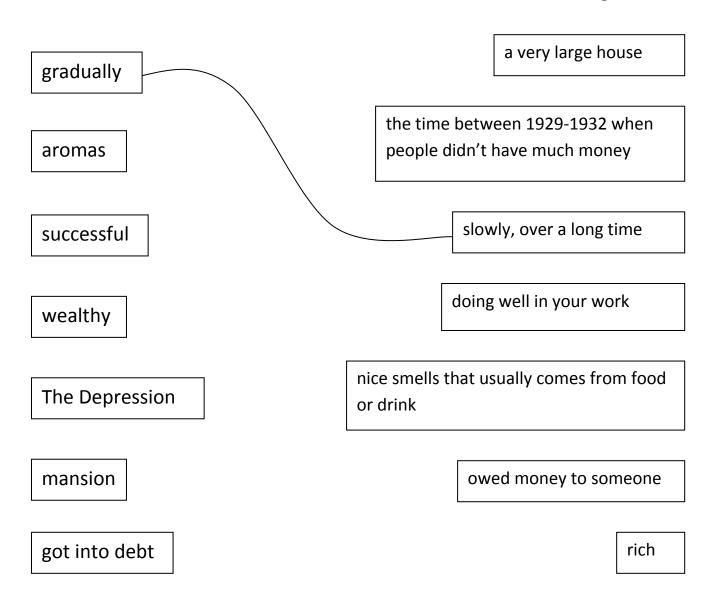
The shop came to St Fagans in 1988 and today we can see how Gwalia stores looked in the 1920s.







Task 2: Find the words in bold in the text. Match the word to its meaning.



Task 3: Read these sentences. Decide if they are true \checkmark or false x.

1.	Sixty years ago everyone bought things from a supermarket
2.	Gwalia stores was close to the railway
3.	Only local goods were sold in the shop
4.	William Llewellyn and his wife lived above the shop
5.	Slowly, the business grew bigger
6.	The Llewellyn family made a lot of money
7.	The business was successful during The Depression
8.	We can see what the shop looked like in 1988.





On your visit...

Task 1: Can you find these notices?

a) b)







c)

- 1. Which notice says you must be polite?
- 2. How much did marmalade cost?
- 3. Who should take 'Virol'?

Task 2: Look for these items. What were they used for? Ask the Museum staff to help you.

a)



b)



c)



d)



e)



f)



Match the name to the item.

- 1. A coffee grinder ____ 2. A tin bath___ 3. A knife sharpener____ 4. Hot water bottles ____
- 5. Weighing scales ____ 6. A mangle ____





Task 3: Write the name of the item next to its meaning.

toothpaste cigarettes tins of fruit







1.

2.

3.

Task 5: Can you find five more items? Take a picture and write the names of the items here.

1.	 	 	
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			





After your visit...



Gwalia Stores in St Fagans shows some of the things people bought in the 1920s.

Task 1: Which of these items could you buy? Write ✓ or x.

razor blades biscuits cough medicine cheese tins of fruit sun cream microwaves coffee potatoes cigarettes mobile phones meat pasta

Task 2: Which words are countable nouns and which are uncountable?

Countable	Uncountable

Can you add any more items to the list?





Task 3: Look at the nouns in these sentences. Are they countable (c) or uncountable (u)? Write c or u next to each sentence.

1.	There is a coffee grinder			
2.	There isn't a microwave			
3.	There are some tins of fruit			
4.	There is some toothpaste			
5.	There isn't any pasta			
6.	There aren't any mobile phones			
Task 4: Complete these sentences about Gwalia Stores.				
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1. 2.	There is a			
1. 2. 3.	There is a There isn't a			
1. 2. 3. 4.	There is a There isn't a There are some			

Task 5: Write an email to your friend telling them about your visit to Gwalia stores. Tell them what there is/isn't in the shop. Write about 50 words.

=	To: Subject: