

Case study: OLD PEOPLE

As you saw in Gallery 1, the Liberals wanted to pass welfare reforms to help old people. For many people, old age meant poverty. To tackle this, the main measure brought in by David Lloyd George was Old Age Pensions in 1908.

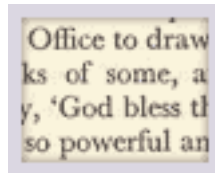
In this case study you are going to study a number of sources from the time. These sources will help you to investigate how far the Liberal reforms really helped old people.

SOURCES:

How people qualified for Old Age Pensions



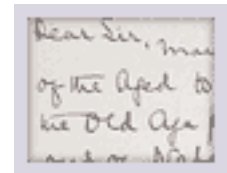
Extract from 'Lark Rise to Candleford'



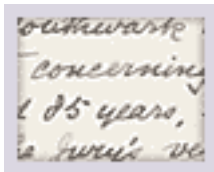
Lloyd George meeting old age pensioners, 1910



Lloyd George on old people's homes, 1914



London Coroner on the death of a pensioner



HOW TO USE THE SOURCES IN THIS CASE STUDY :

You can use these case study sources in two ways:

THE BIG QUESTION

All of the sources in this case study have been chosen to help you decide why people criticised the Liberal reforms and whether they were justified. These sources will be useful mainly for the 'Achievements' and 'Awkward' files, but there may be some useful material for the Attack file as well.

- Study each source carefully – use the questions to help you get the most from the source.
- Choose sources which contain points Lloyd George can make from this source about Liberal achievements
- Use the worksheet to make a note of sections he could quote in his speech.

EXAM PRACTICE

If you want to get some practice on examination type questions, just go to or download the Practice Questions.

Don't forget – if there are words or phrases in the sources which you cannot understand, try the glossary!