

‘LITTLE MESTERS AND MRS BUFFERS’ LOAN BOX



This loan box focuses on Sheffield’s history as ‘tool maker to the world’ and highlights important local tool making trades. It has been developed for use by groups who wish to reminisce about their working lives at local firms or want to learn more about tool manufacturing in Sheffield.

The box contains the following artefacts and activities, with background information for group leaders:

- ‘Sheffield Big Names Then and Now Quiz’
- ‘Which Trade Used These?’ tool handling group activity
- ‘Could You Be a Little Mester’ tool sequencing group and team activity
- ‘Who’s Are These?’ object handling group activity
- ‘What’s This?’ tool identification activities

- Photographs of people working in the tool industry today and in the past
- Silver Engraving activity, using original silver decorating tools to create napkin rings from aluminium foil.

The box can be hired for a two-week period or used as part of a visit to Kelham Island Museum.

For information and bookings please contact Education at Kelham Island Museum, e-mail: education@simt.co.uk, tel: 0114 – 2010613.

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