



EXPLORE OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM. LEARN INSIDE OUR STATE.

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### **Exploring Life in Bent County at the Turn of the Century**

#### **John Rawlings Heritage Center**

Visit John W. Rawlings Heritage Center and Museum in La Junta. Explore the exhibits to get a glimpse of life in Las Animas and Bent County in the early 1900's. You can also explore the Heritage Center virtually at <https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=ztwuyEiLKx4>.

#### **Questions to Ask:**

1. *Identify one item from the past that you think would be useful today.*
2. *Identify one item from the past that you think would not be useful today.*
3. *Explain why they may or may not be useful.*
4. *Look for toys in the exhibits. Do they look like they would be fun to play with? How are they different from what you have at home?*

#### **Activity:** I- Spy

Model this activity first. Choose a work of art that everyone can see, but don't tell what it is! Say, "I spy with my little eye," and then give some description of anything in the room, such as "something red," "something square," or "something small." Take turns trying to guess what the object is. Whoever correctly guesses the object, picks the next one, or have everyone take turns in a set order.