

ONE ROOM SCHOOL HOUSE ACTIVITES

Here are a few activities that you can use in your classroom to go along with the One Room School House lesson.

1. Creative Writing - Write an essay comparing a classroom of today to a classroom of long ago.
2. Experience Chart – Make a chart with the activities that you do at school every day and then use the information that you learned from the museum site to chart what you would have done in a school long ago and compare and discuss the charts.
3. Drawing: Illustrate a classroom of today and one of long ago.
4. Spelling Bee: Have an old-fashioned spelling bee.
5. Little House – Read aloud Chapter 20, “School” and/or Chapter 21, “Nellie Olsen” from Laura Ingalls Wilder’s book, *On the Banks of Plum Creek*. Ask Student’s how Laura and Mary’s first day of school was different from theirs, and how it was the same.
6. Old Fashioned Games – Have the students play some of the old favorite games from long ago. Many are still popular today. Texas Toys and Games, 1989, Southern Methodist University Press, Dallas, Abernathy, Francis Edward (ed.).