



INTERVIEW WITH MY GRANDMOTHER

Name: Esma Simsek
 Lives in: Salzburg, Austria
 Career: Housewife
 Hobbies: Loves to work in the garden

First of all, I will tell you about the past in Turkey. I asked many relatives for example my mother and my grandmother. But my grandmother told me much more. Her name is Esma, she is 65 years old and lived in Ordu in Turkey until a certain age. Then she moved to Austria with my grandfather. She told me what kind of circumstances her family and she lived in. Almost every year I fly to Turkey, because of that I have also experienced the life in the village in Ordu. In my hometown some still earn their money, the way my grandmother told me.

How did they earn their own money? How was it with food? What did they eat? What did their clothes look like? What did they wear back then? How did they heat the houses? How did they go to the city?

First my grandmother told me how they earned their own money. They had many hazel trees and they collected tons of hazelnuts to sell them to a factory every year. Her father bought cows and bred them, later the cows had calves and her father sold them to other farmers. The cows also gave her family the opportunity to produce cheese, butter and milk. But they also ate these products, so the cows were an advantage. They also had sheep, but they were sold to others for the Festival of the Muslims. In this way they earned their own money about 50 years ago. Of course some families still do that in many cities in Turkey.

Secondly we spoke about what they ate and where they got their food from. Her family had a big garden next to their house. There were vegetables like cucumbers, tomatoes, peppers and onions grown and also potatoes. My grandmother and her siblings picked them and

prepared food. They also made preserves from the cucumbers. Butter, milk and cheese came from the cows. They had to buy grain products in the city, otherwise they had food that cost them nothing.

Thirdly she described the clothes that the people wore in the villages. Women wore long skirts with a floral pattern and an oversized shirt with a cardigan, that was the classic women's clothing in Ordu. Also most wore a headscarf because of their religion. Men tended to wear dark jeans with a striped polo shirt and also flat caps. Old people still have the same style in the villages.

Furthermore we spoke about how they heated the house. They had something like a stainless steel fireplace. I'll explain in more detail how the method worked. First they cut pieces of wood that they prepared outside under the house in order to have enough wood. They lit sticks and added wood to the fireplace so they could heat the house. The washed clothes, which my grandmother and her siblings washed in large buckets, were hung over the fireplace to dry in winter. Also taking a shower wasn't easy. They had to boil water in a huge pot and then add cold water to get lukewarm water. With the help of a bowl they washed themselves.

Finally how did they get to the city? Every day at 5 o'clock in the morning came a car so that the people could drive together to the city to buy what they needed. They were in the city for a few hours and in the afternoon the group drove back again. Nobody could afford a car at that time, so they had to drive into town together with the car that came daily. When my grandmother was still at school, she always had to walk about 10 kilometres. She had neither a bicycle nor a bus to take her to the school.

ABOUT ME:

My name is Acelya Nur Karakaya and I'm 17 years old. I live in Salzburg, Austria with my mother. I currently visit the 2nd class in HAS I Salzburg. In my free time I love to be creative with my friends for example to paint something. I also love to go out with my family and friends. This project is really interesting.





INTERVIEW WITH MY GRANDPARENTS

Name: Renate & Franz
 Live in: Munderfing
 Career: Office assistant, mayor & farmer
 Hobbies: Reading, painting and travelling

Interview

How was the clothing in the past compared to today: The quality was better and the materials weren't as cheap as they are now. The people took better care of their clothes because they were more expensive.

How did you heat in the past: We used an oven and heated with wood and/or coal. There were only a few rooms in the house where it was warm (in winter).

What did you do in your free time: There wasn't much free time because we had to work most of the time, but in summer we enjoyed spending time with friends on a lake for example. We also liked to read and go to the cinema sometimes.

What did you do with your waste:

Grandma: We used to throw everything in one bin, but because there was much less plastic that wasn't a big problem.

Grandpa: We had a compost heap and almost everything was made of glass or paper and generally there was less "toxic waste".

ABOUT ME:

I'm Nadine and this was an Interview with my grandparents. I attend Hak 1 school in Salzburg and my favourite hobby is painting.



INTERVIEW WITH MY GRANDMOTHER

Name: Mejra
 Lives in: Salzburg
 Career: housewife
 Hobbies: crocheting

How was clothing in the past compared to today?
It was more about quality than quantity and people dressed differently, they were more modest than now.

How did you heat your home in the past?
We used an oven and blankets, the oven gave more warmth than the heaters today.

What did you do in your free time when you were young?
My family lived in the country and we had many animals. In my free time I had to help my parents with the farm work, but it was fun. The fresh air was amazing and calming too.

What did you do with your waste in the past?
We had a compost heap which we used as a fertiliser. There was also a lot less waste because we used reusable jars, glass bottles and so on a lot.

ABOUT ME:

My name is Aida and I go to BHAK 1 Salzburg. I like to draw and read.



INTERVIEWS WITH SENIORS



WE ASKED OUR GRANDPARENTS ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES WHEN THEY WERE YOUNG...

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INTERVIEW WITH A SENIOR

Name: Mrs Tappeiner
 Lived in: Freilassing
 Job: She used to have an office job
 Hobbies: She loved to read and bought tons of magazines. Before she lost her mobility she also used to travel a lot

Me: Hello Mrs. Tappeiner, the first question I have for you is how did u heat up the house in the old days?

Mrs. Tappeiner: Back then we used to live next to a forest after we fled to Poland. We used to stock up on firewood especially on hot days to make sure the wood was dry. Due to my father fighting in the war we had to do it ourselves. We had a tiled stove which created enough heat to stay warm on cold winter days.

Me: So, what did you wear back then or where did u buy it in times of war?

Mrs. Tappeiner: My mother loved embroidery so she would buy the necessary fabric and sew me skirts and blouses embroidered by herself. Of course, in the middle of the war that wasn't possible anymore because we didn't have any money so at the age of twelve I was stuck with my clothes I had before the war. I don't really remember which year it was when I had to join the association of German girls because that was when I got a special uniform for it. My mother hated it and everything associated with the Nazis so she would try her best to re sew my old clothes into something that fit me later on due to me hitting puberty and growing a lot.

Me: How did you manage your waste back then?

Mrs. Tappeiner: We didn't really have waste back then. We would even use already black potatoes or if my mom caught a rabbit, we would make tallow out of the nowadays considered "waste" and use everything we just could use in any way. You know back then we didn't have many options left to just decide that we throw something away if maybe we could use it later on. For example, ripped apart clothes were used as bandages or tissues.

Me: What did u do in your free time during war?

Mrs. Tappeiner: I used to love to go out with my friend Maria and play with self-made dolls. That was till a German plane came and started shooting at us. I've never ran so fast in my life before into the direction of the forest

About me: My name is Sabrina, I'm 18 and attend HAS1 Salzburg. My hobbies are drawing, reading and listening to music just to keep things chill at all times. Also I work for the voluntary firefighters in my free time.



INTERVIEW WITH MY GRANDFATHER

Name: Sadik Karadeniz
 Lives in: Akcakoca,Türkiye
 Career: Retired
 Hobbies: Spending time with the grandchildren

Today I will write about the life in Turkey in the past. Therefore I talked with my grandfather via facetime. First my name is Gizem Albayrak, I am 18 years old and currently attending the 2nd class in HAS 1. I interviewed my grandfather. Sadik Karadeniz is 86 years old and he still lives in Akcakoca in Turkey. He lives in the village and does the same work as he also did 70 years ago. He lives with my grandmother in the village. We talk about some points:

What did they do to earn money? My grandpa told me that they have hazel trees. There they did field work. He worked in construction with his brothers. Women did housework, they cooked, cleaned and looked after the children.

What did they eat? His family had grown fruit and vegetables in their garden. They grew these and also benefited from it because they did not have to spend any money. They hadn't

cows or other animals to produce butter, milk or cheese.They bought them from other farmers.

What did they wear? Women wore headscarves, colorful skirts with oversized tshirts. In the villages they still wear clothes like this. Men had jeans, checkered and striped shirts. These were everyday clothes, nothing special or stylish.

Were there heaters in the past? No, he said they didn't have anything like that, they had to take care of it themselves, with food and fire. His brothers lit pieces of wood and added to the fireplace. They had no other option to heat the house. What if they want to go to somewhere? His family had a pickup car, when they had to drive somewhere then they drove together. His mother sat in the front of the car and the children in the back.

ABOUT ME:

My Name is Gizem Albayrak, I am 18 years old and currently attending the 2nd class in HAS 1. My hobbies are playing volleyball and spending time with my family and friends.





INTERVIEW WITH MY GRANDPA

Name: Harald Penk
 Born: In Vienna
 Lives in: Salzburg since 1971

How was the clothing in the past compared to today?
Reading this question I thought immediately of the novel „Clothes Make The Man“ by the Swiss poet Gottfried Keller. A penniless tailor who – because of the luxurious suit he had made for himself – was mistaken for a young lord when arriving in a village and was feted by the townsfolk. Unfortunately he was too shy to clarify the misunderstanding. But when the townsfolk recognized that they let themselves be fooled by the luxurious suit, the young man ran into serious troubles. At the end, the true love of a girl helped him to a happy end when he moved to another village and returned to his profession as a tailor: „Clothes Make The Man – The Man Makes The Clothes“. The society in the past wanted to impress each other by stylish good looking clothes and to demonstrate their economic standing. Beyond that one normally would like to pay respect to the people you meet or to the reason of your visit – e.g.: visit of relatives, theatre, concert, job-interview, rendezvous, dance class, etc. Nowadays the focus of clothes is concentrated on comfort and/or sporty look. Elegant clothing has lost its importance to a large extent. So you can see people dressed in normal street clothes in the audience of an opera or a classic concert. Otherwise many people value the latest fashion.

How did you heat your home in the past?
During 10 to 20 years after the end of the Second World War solid fossil fuels like wood and coal were the most important means for heating. Later on liquid fuel (oil) and gas substituted the solid fuels more and more. Electric heating was used rather seldom because of the high cost. Our apartment house is supplied by district heating.

What did you do in your free time?
In my younger years I did sports like swimming, cycling, boxing (training only) and later on also tennis. Since 1975 to 2017 I enjoyed camping and travelling with a motorhome through Europe.

What did you do with your waste?
The answer is rather simple: There was very little rubbish in the past: The customers frequently used their own bins, containers and even cans (for milk). Old newspapers were used as packing material and even in replacement of toilet paper. Hard dried bread was cut into small cubic pieces and used in the kitchen to make dumplings. PET-bottles and other plastic packing material did not yet exist! Flammable material could be burned in stoves.



ABOUT ME:

My name is Maria and I attend HAK1 Salzburg. I love doing sports outdoors. My hobbies are rowing, hiking, scuba diving, ...



INTERVIEW WITH MY GRANDMOTHER

Name: Johanna Krammer
 Lives in: Salzburg
 Career: Bank clerk
 Hobbies: Dancing and cooking

How was the clothing in the past compared to today?
In the past, it wasn't about whether someone wore fashionable clothes or had style, the most important thing was that you had something to wear.

How did you heat your home in the past?
We used an oven, which gave more warmth than the heaters today.

What did you do in your free-time?
My parents had a farm, so I had to help them working the fields every day. I had to help them with the animals as well as in the house. I had to teach myself a lot and it was a hard time for me.

What did you do with your waste?
We had a compost heap whose products we used as a fertilizer.

ABOUT ME:

My name is Lisa, I am seventeen years old. I live in Salzburg in a house with my family and my cat. I attend Hak 1 Salzburg. My hobbies are dancing, biking, swimming, skiing among many other things.

