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Long ago, many people lived on farms or in small towns. The schools were small, too. Some schools had only one room and one teacher.



🔊 How did children get to school?
They used many kinds
of **transportation**.
Some children walked.
Some children rode on horses.



- ▶ Most children did **wear** a lot of clothes on cold days.
- ▶ Big coats helped them stay warm on the way to school.
Boots, gloves, and a scarf helped, too.



Children sat at desks.

The teacher stood at the front of the room.

Children raised their hands to talk to the teacher.



🔊 Reading and math were two subjects.

Children learned their lessons from books like these.



🔊 New children came to school on some days.

Some of them came from other countries.

🔊 Their **culture** and clothes were different.

They spoke other **languages**.



🔊 Children did math in school.
They learned to add numbers.
They did not do their work
on paper.
They wrote with chalk on a board.



- ▶ Children played outside for part of the day.
- ▶ They played games like tag. They jumped rope. Some schools had swings on the playground.



Children liked to put on a special show.

People from the community came to watch.

The children sang songs and put on plays.

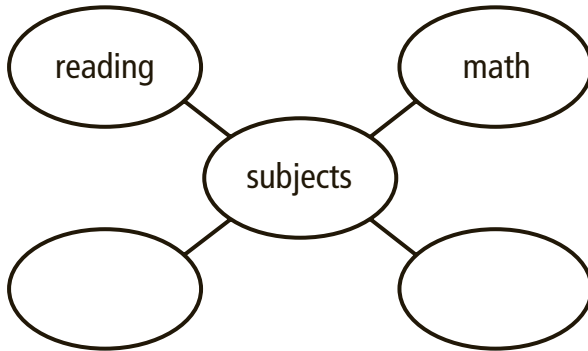
What fun!

Responding



TARGET VOCABULARY Word Builder

What kinds of **subjects** do you learn about in school? Make a word web around the word subjects. Copy this web and add more words.



Write About It

Text to Self Would you like to go to a one room school? Write a few sentences. Tell what you would like or not like about it. Use two words from the Word Builder.



TARGET VOCABULARY

community
culture
languages
lessons

special
subjects
transportation
wear



TARGET STRATEGY

Analyze/Evaluate Tell

how you feel about the text, and why.



What vocabulary word has letters in it that spell the word ear?

Level: I

DRA: 16

Social Studies

Strategy:

Analyze/Evaluate

Word Count: 250

2.3.13 Build Vocabulary

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