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ESOL Entry 2

Census Room

 National Waterfront Museum

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About Amgueddfa Cymru

Amgueddfa Cymru – Museum Wales is a charity, and a family of seven national museums and one collections centre located across Wales. But we're more than our buildings. Our sites are vital community spaces that reach far beyond their location on a map. Our aim is to inspire everyone we reach through Wales's story and we recognise that everyone has something to contribute through our museums, collections and the work we do.



Census Room Worksheets
National Waterfront Museum
ESOL Entry 2 (simple version)

Parish or Township of Swansea		Ecclesiastical District of		City or Borough of Swansea		Town of Swansea		Village of	
Name of Street, Place, or Road, and Name or No. of House	Name and Surname of each Person who abode in the house, on the Night of the 30th March, 1851	Relation to Head of Family	Condition	Age of	Rank, Profession, or Occupation	Where Born			
	Margaret Eaton	Servant	U	28	House servant	Swansea			
	Hannah Rice	Servant	U	25	House servant	Swansea			
	Martha Jones	Wife	U	26	Robert's Wife	Swansea			
	William C. Jones	Servant	U	13	Servant	Swansea			
136	Timothy Curry	Head	U	53	Tradesman	Swansea			
	Mary C.	Wife	U	20		Swansea			
	Thomas C. Curry	Son	U	22	U.K.P. Lt. General Postman	Swansea			
	Robert C. Hamilton	Nephew	U	18	Servant	Swansea			
	Martha Rice	Servant	U	30	House servant	Swansea			
	Thomas Thomas	Servant	U	28		Swansea			
137	William Beeson	Head	U	42	Magistrate	Swansea			
	Sam Nash	Servant	U	28	House servant	Swansea			
	Robert James	Servant	U	35		Swansea			
	Thomas Anthony	Servant	U	24		Swansea			
138	John Jones	Head	U	45	Accountant	Swansea			
	Margaret C.	Wife	U	38		Swansea			
	Robert C. Williams	Servant	U	18	Roller of Books, Carmarthenshire	Swansea			
	Sam C.	Servant	U	21		Swansea			
	E. D. C. C.	Servant	U	14		Swansea			
	Clarissa C.	Servant	U	17		Swansea			
				Total of Persons	8	12			

Section 1:

Complete these activities before your visit.

Activity 1: Match the words to the correct meanings.

- A census an object or thing made by a human being
- The industrial revolution to have plenty of money
- An artefact when people in every home are asked the same questions
- Records when a country changes from farming to working in factories (industry)
- National Agriculture farming
- Wealthy an account or writing from the past
- for the whole country



Activity 2: Read this information about the census in 1851

On 30 March 1851 the people of Britain were counted and questioned in the first detailed national census. After this, there was a census every 10 years. The most recent one was in 2021.

From these records we can find out about all the people of Swansea at that time: their lives, their families and their work.

What we see is a fascinating picture of Wales becoming a truly industrial nation. Towns like Swansea were crowded, with large families living in one or two rooms. Some were wealthy and lived in houses with servants to help.

Look at these statements. Decide if they are true or false.

Circle your answer T / F

1. 1851 was the first time people were asked lots of questions in a census. **T/F**
2. Wales was an agricultural nation. **T/F**
3. The census was held every 15 years. **T/F**
4. We learn only about rich people's lives, families, and their work. **T/F**
5. The next census will be in 2031. **T/F**

Did you fill in the last census form? If so, what questions did they ask?

Activity 3:

What do you think these items might be?



a) _____



b) _____



c) _____



d) _____



e) _____



f) _____



g) _____



h) _____

Section 2:

Complete these activities during your visit.

Activity 4

Panorama of Swansea

Can you recognise any landmarks or places you know?



List them here:

Is there somewhere you would like to visit?

Outside the census room

Activity 5

1) What do you like about it?

2) What does it tell you about Wales?

3) What does it tell you about the industrial revolution?



Census room Activity 6:

Find each artefact and write down what it was and what it was used for.



a) _____



b) _____



c) _____



d) _____



e) _____



f) _____



g) _____



h) _____

Upper gallery

Activity 7

Walk around the gallery and answer these questions. If you need help, you can ask someone who works in the Museum.

- 1) Look at the ships.



When were these ones built?

- 2) Find these objects near the ships.



What were they used for?

After your visit...

What was your favourite artefact that you saw? Write about how it was used.
