

# Pennsylvania Photo Detective

The following ideas can be adapted for different age levels or are be used for ideas to create age-appropriate lessons. Adopt a Photo welcomes your lesson ideas.

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The objective of these lesson ideas is to provide the student with a series of questions which they will attempt to answer through research of time periods and the photographs at [www.adoptaphoto.com](http://www.adoptaphoto.com).

1. "Young Lady with Hat" (Pennsylvania):

"Young Man" (Pennsylvania):

Study the two photographs. During approximately what time period could each have been taken? What photographic processes would have been used for each?

2. "Young Man with a Cane" (Pennsylvania): Research types of industry in Reading, PA and Ravenna, Ohio in the early 1900's. Do your findings help explain why this young man could have moved from Pennsylvania to Ohio? Why? Why not?

3. "Young Men" (Pennsylvania):

It appears that the young men are connected in some way. Could they have been students at a school? Find out what schools would have been located in Washington, PA, during the approximate time the photo was taken. Is there any way to tell what school these young men could have attended. Why or why not?

4. "Young Lady" (Pennsylvania):

The young lady is celebrating a special moment. Could the occasion have been connected to a religious practice? Research popular religious groups in Pennsylvania during the late 1800's or early 1900's. Can you predict what religion was involved in this young lady's celebration? Why or why not?