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Family Folklore- Hidden Stories in Your Family Photographs
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Hidden Stories
in Your Family Photographs

PURPOSE: To become aware that by looking at family photographs you can learn about family relationships, customs, hobbies, occupations, events, and stories; to become aware of the importance of labeling family photographs
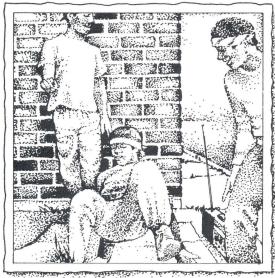
YOU'LL NEED: Pencil or pen

TIME: Varies

HOW TO DO IT: Look at the four photographs on this sheet. Try answering the questions under each of the pictures.

1. Who are these people?
2. What are they doing in this picture?
3. What is the relationship of these people to each other?
4. What kinds of clothes do they have on?
5. When was this picture taken?
6. What are they going to do next?

1. Who is this person?
2. What is he doing in this picture?
3. When was this picture taken?
4. Who is taking the picture?
5. What is the person going to do next?

1. Who is this person?
2. What is she doing in this picture?
3. Where did the fish come from?
4. When was this picture taken?
5. What is she going to do next?

1. Who are these people?
2. What are they doing in this picture?
3. What is the relationship of these people to each other?
4. What is inside the box?
5. When was the picture taken?
6. What are they going to do next?

WHAT ELSE?

1. Write a story about what you see in the photograph. Share your story with a group of people.

2. Write a group story about what you see in the photograph.

3. At home, try looking at mystery photographs in your own collection of photographs. Write down the real story and a made-up story about one of your pictures.