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**Y8 history lesson 1- the limitations of the police in the Jack the Ripper case**

**Resources:** PowerPoint- lesson 1 limitations, lesson 1 worksheet, lessons 1 sources to read and use

In today’s lesson pupils will learn that the police didn’t really come close to catching Jack the Ripper, and that nobody has solved the mystery conclusively today. Pupils should follow all tasks on the PowerPoint.

The main task asks pupils to look at primary (made at the time) and secondary (evidence made after the time) about the case to decide what information it gives about the murderer (if any) and then to think about what problems the police would have had with this evidence based on whether it is vague, unreliable, scapegoating a group of people etc. Answers are attached separately.

Pupils should then complete a short report (about two paragraphs) about whether they think the police were to blame for the case no being solved. There is no right or wrong answer to this, but pupils should back up their judgement with their own opinions and refer to the sources in the report.