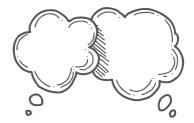
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# Memorialising... Jessie MacDonald



Whilst teaching at Hilton of Cadboll Junior Secondary School in 1951-52, local woman Jessie MacDonald encouraged the secondary pupils of Nigg, Fearn, Portmahomack, and the Seaboard Villages to ask their parents, grandparents and other relatives about life there.

She wanted to record the memories in order to preserve the life and history!

## **EXPLORE**

This is the original 'Down to the Sea' book that Jessie MacDonald worked on with pupils from Hilton of Cadboll Junior Secondary School from 1951 to 1952. It was reproduced and printed many times.

READ

Read the Fisherman's Tale on this site – this is based on some of the stories collected and folklore recorded in Jessie's book.

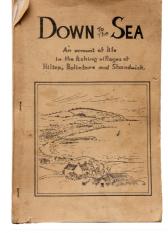
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## TALK ABOUT IT

Those memories, traditions and ways of life are documented in the book Down to the Sea.

- · Why do you think this is an important book?
- · Where else do you think you could access this information?



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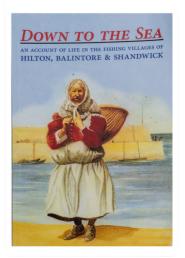
## TRY IT YOURSELF

It takes the actions of one dedicated individual like Jessie to ensure that the history of a community is collected and shared!

Try being that individual too. Interview an older relative or family friend to find out about life in your area.

You could ask them to tell you about:

- · Their childhood memories or schooldays
- Medicine and illness
- Free time and hobbies
- Traditions and folklore
- Their jobs







## **CREATE A COMMEMORATION**

Use this page to plan your ideas.



Who do you want to commemorate?
Why do you want to remember what happened to them?
Willy do you want to remember what happened to them.
What could your design look like? What shapes or pictures could you include?
What record a could you write?
What message could you write?

