Seaside holidays during Victorian times were very different. Most Victorians would go to a British seaside, such as Blackpool because flying to another country wasn’t an option. They believed that the seaside air was good for you. Sunbathing wasn’t in fashion back then, so Victorians would go to the beach fully clothed. ‘Sea bathing’ was done instead. Some beaches were divided into male and female sections.

Seaside holidays, and the clothing worn to the seaside, have changed lots over the years. They started to become more popular with people who were not so rich after the invention of the railway in the 1840s. Victorian people did not like to show their bodies, so little huts called bathing machines were available.

Timeline
- **1815**: Grace Darling was born on 24 November 1815 at her grandfather’s home in Northumberland.
- **1838**: Her participation in the rescue of survivors from the shipwrecked Forfarshire in 1838 brought her national fame.
- **1842**: In 1842, Darling fell ill while visiting the mainland and was in convalescence with her cousins. Grace died on 20th October 1942 aged 26.