

<b>Interviewee(s): Laura Millar (LM)</b>	<b>Interviewer(s): Pencaitland Primary School Pupil: Willow</b>
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Willow: Ma – my name is Willow Dutton and it is the 9<sup>th</sup> of March 2020, and we are – and we are in Pencaitland Primary School. Please introduce yourself.

LM: My name is Mrs Millar.

Willow: Question one. Can you tell us a bit about your life when you were a child?

LM: Ah can, so Ah've grown up in East Lothian my whole life, so Ah've always lived in Haddington, and when Ah grew up we had lots of family around, so we would see... ma anties and uncles, and ma cousins, and we'd spent lots of time together and we used to go and visit my grannie every Saturday. That's what we used to do.

Willow: Question two. How do you think children's lives are different now? Are they better or worse and why do you think that?

LM: I think things have changed. I don't know whether they're better or worse – the children that grow up now, this is just the way they're grown up, I don't know whether it'd be better or worse – it's definitely changed. When I grew up there was no... things to record your voice, there were – there was very little technology. When I was little, my mum and dad had to rent a video machine, and I don't know whether you guys know what a video machine is! [chuckles] No! See, so things have really changed since I was little! So whereas now everybody has like a DVD player or they have access to Sky, we didn't have any of that. We had four channels, and kids' cartoons were only on after school for an hour, and a Saturday morning for like two or three hours. You couldn't watch cartoons all day every day, you couldn't watch them til bedtime, and if you missed the programme, you couldn't go back and watch it because you couldn't record it. You had to watch it when it was on or you missed it. So things have changed a lot. And we used to get more people come and deliver things – so whereas now everybody gets things delivered like from, by Tesco or Sainsbury's or Asda, different people would come and deliver different things – so, like, your milkman would come with your milk, my grannie used to have like a coalman who would deliver coal for her fire, and

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wood, and she used to have a company come and deliver, like, Coca Cola and lemonade, so – and everyone would deliver their own thing. So the grocers would only deal with the fruit, the fresh fruit and veg, but now you can just go to one shop and get everything. So it was a little bit different when Ah was growing up.

Willow: Question three. Why did you choose to live in East Lothian? Did you ever live anywhere else?

LM: Ah've never lived anywhere else. Ah've always lived in East Lothian. And – Ah guess I didn't choose to live here, so my mum and dad brought me home from the hospital to East Lothian, so just Ah've always been here, and because Ah like it so much, I now stay here with my children, and Ah raise them. Because Ah really like it, I think it's a nice community to stay in, lots of green, I like the farmlands around...

Willow: Question four. What is your job and what do you enjoy most about it?

LM: OK so I am a senior Early Years Practitioner, and... the best thing about being a senior Early Years Practitioner is working with the children, because every day is something different. Every day they're doing something different, every day they're giving you something to have a giggle about, they're teaching you something different, and we get to teach them a little something different, and... Ah've never done anythin else. Ah've always worked with children, and Ah thoroughly enjoy it.

Willow: Is there anything else you'd like to say?

LM: No I don't think so, I think that... no, I think that's all right. Is there anything else you want to know?

Willow: No, that's fine. Thank you very much. That is the end of this interview.

LM: You are very welcome, Willow.