

Activity: Comparing old and new exhibits

Aquariums and zoos have changed quite a bit over the last 100 years. Using the historic and modern-day images of each type of facility, look for similarities and differences between time periods.

Aquariums- then and now



Similarities:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Differences:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Zoos- then and now



Similarities:

1. _____
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Differences:

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Discussion questions:

- How has the guest perspective changed between the old and new images? Do you see any improvements in guest safety and animal welfare?
- What type of barriers are between the animals and visitors?
- Aside from the animals themselves, what else is in the exhibit spaces? Does it differ between time periods?
- What has led to the changes in aquariums and zoos over the past 100+ years?