

**MLA: Intergenerational Learning Award Winner  
Intergenerational Knitting Group**

Kathryn Boothroyd (St Helens Council.): Last September was the seventieth anniversary of the beginning of World War Two. We in the Library Service wanted to do a series of commemorative events.

(Woman speaking: This is what little boys would wear going to school.)

Name: We wanted to bring back some of the crafts of the time so it just so happened that we knew a group of ladies who were expert knitters and who were children and growing up during World War Two and they very kindly agreed to work with us.

Elizabeth Slater (volunteer.): They all have a caring role in the home. They joined the Care Association in St Helens and started the group up and from there we decided to do something positive. The response from the children has made it all worth while.

Vox: It's good cos there's like interesting things about the war and stuff.

Kathryn: What we've tried to do with this project is to make sure as many different children come into our libraries to see the ladies and experience the wartime crafts.

Vox: I'm going to do it at home and I might make a blanket with my mum. See what I can do.

Kathryn: As far as the ladies are concerned, they've been able to find out what it's like to be a child growing up in 2010. So it really has been a very successful and very interesting project.