

What Doesn't Belong Answer Sheet (#1)

Office:

There is a computer mouse on John Jay's desk. Computers were not around during John Jay's life – they hadn't been invented yet!

Parlor:

Did you spot the framed photographs on the table next to the sofa. There were no photographs during John Jay's life – photography hadn't been invented yet. Instead of photographs, John Jay had painted portraits of his family.

Dining Room:

There are plastic cups mixed in with the glass ones on the table. Plastic is a man-made material that was invented after John Jay's life.

Kitchen:

There is a plastic food container on the hutch. Food during John Jay's time would have been stored in pottery crocks or glass jars.

Hall:

Did you spot the car keys on the table? John Jay didn't drive a car! Cars hadn't been invented during John Jay's life. Instead, he would ride in a carriage pulled by horses.

John Jay's Bedroom:

There is a tube of toothpaste on the shaving stand. Toothpaste usually comes in a plastic tube, so John Jay wouldn't have had toothpaste like you do! Instead, John Jay would have used tooth powder that mixed with water would have made a paste. You can try this at home with an adult's help – mix baking soda with water to make your own toothpaste.

William & Augusta Jay's Bedroom:

Did you spot the Rubik's Cube with the other toys on the floor? Toys during John Jay's life would have been made of wood, stone, or animal bones.

Nancy Jay's Bedroom:

There's a curling iron on the dressing table. This one uses electricity, which wasn't available in John Jay's house when he lived there. Girls still could curl their hair back then. They would use metal rods heated up in the fire.