



Boys Working in Field

WHAT'S IT ABOUT?

This photograph, taken around 1900, shows boys ploughing the fields at Standon Farm Home in Staffordshire. The Standon boys were trained in all aspects of farm work, and they had over 50 acres of land to cultivate. Experience in manual skills was helpful for the boys in their future careers. The Standon Home was established in 1885, as a home for waifs and strays. Boys farmed 50 acres of land and produce was sold at local markets.

Source: Children's Society Records and Archive Centre.