

Snibston Discovery Park

25th January 2006

Year 10 Industry Day

When I visited Snibston Discovery Park in Coalville, Leicester, I had a very enjoyable and educational visit.

Our first activity was an hour guided tour with Eddie. He showed us the mine shafts, medical room, dynamite storage room and the communications room. On route, he explained how the development of the Davy Lamp had helped make mining safer as they helped detect natural gases that could result in explosions. We learnt about what the working conditions of coal mines were like and how dangerous they were. It made me appreciate my life at school as I would probably have ended up working down a mine at 14.



After lunch it was time for our next activity called the 'Science Play'. This was like an adventure playground where we could learn about pulleys and levers.

Finally, a look around the exhibitions. This included lifting a mini with electromagnets, seeing how wind produces electricity, crawling through mine shafts to see how small they were, how aircrafts work and the history of Textiles.

By Matt Stevens and Ed Caswell.



Students learn how pulleys, levers and an electromagnet can help to lift heavy objects.



Students learnt the importance of tools for saving their lives.