Appendix

Oral History Informants

The following information was drawn from “biography cards” kept regarding each of the 239 oral history informants whose evidence was used for this book and from appendices of Elizabeth Roberts’s *A woman’s place: An oral history of working-class women 1890–1940* (Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1984, 207–13) and *Women and families: An oral history, 1940–1970* (Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1995, 241–48). Entries appearing below use italics for informants’ families of birth and ordinary text for their adult experiences. Entries are categorized by informants’ cities of residence. Since interviews varied in length, depth, and subject matter, information about informants’ backgrounds is inconsistent. Some of the younger informants are children of people whom Roberts interviewed in the 1970s. Several informants (two chemists and two physicians) were interviewed because of their special roles in and perspectives regarding working-class neighborhoods.

Barrow


Mr. A2B (Mr. Ackerman), b. 1904. *Father a prosperous pawnbroker. Second of 4 children (1 died).* Worked as a carpenter and became a leading Socialist politician in Barrow. Married. 1 child.

Mrs. A2B (Mrs. Ackerman), b. 1904. *Father a boilermaker’s assistant. Mother, from Ireland, domestic servant before marriage; afterwards cleaner, laundress, and nurse. Very poor family. Eldest of 4 children.* Domestic servant and shop assistant. Married, 1 child.

Mrs. A3B (Mrs. Addison), b. 1892. *Father, laborer. Mother ran a shop before marriage; afterwards took in washing and went out cleaning. Eldest of 9 children (2 died).* Domestic servant and cook. Married. 6 children (3 died).


Mr. B3B (Mr. Barlow), b. 1915. Father, plumber. Mother, weaver and shopkeeper. Younger of 2 children. Did office and clerical work before World War II; later, teacher. Married. 3 children.

Mrs. B3B (Mrs. Barlow), b. 1928. Father plater in Vickers, who was frequently unemployed and died in a shipyard accident in 1935. Mother, teacher before marriage and when widowed; also kept a lodging house. Only child. Teacher. Married, 3 children.


Mrs. C1B (Mrs. Clarke), b. 1900. Father, raftsman on timber pond. Mother, domestic service before marriage. Homemaker. One of 8 children. Did shop work before marriage.


Miss C3B (Miss Carter), b. 1958. Father, chemist. Mother, part-time work as telephonist and shop assistant. Eldest of 4 children. As adult, informant did hotel work and worked for community program assisting elderly people. Frequently unemployed and on public assistance.

Mrs. D1B (Mrs. Drake), b. 1899. Father, sailor and laborer. Mother, farm servant before marriage. One of 9 children (1 died). Domestic servant, munitions worker, cleaner. Married. 1 child.


Mr. E1B (Mr. Eaton), b. 1902. Father, ship painter killed in 1905. Mother deserted family around 1911. One of 2 children. Brought up by grandparents and stepfather: spent some time in the workhouse. Office work, farm labor, gardening, and laboring in steel works.


Mrs. H1B (Mrs. Hancock), b. 1893. Father, boilermaker and laborer on railway and dredgers. Mother, lady’s maid before marriage. Homemaker. One of 4 children.
Domestic, munitions, and shop work. Married, 1 child.
Mr. H1B (Mr. Hancock), b. 1894. Father, fruit and vegetable seller. Mother, housekeeper for aunt before marriage. Worked in family shop after marriage. One of 5 children. Wheelwright and joiner. Married, 1 child.
Mrs. H3B (Mrs. Hampton), b. 1887. Father, clerk. Mother, teacher before marriage; kept embroidery shop after marriage. Eldest of 6 children. Worked as clerk and untrained teacher. Married (lecturer); adopted 2 children.
Mr. K1B (Mr. Kirby), b. 1921. Father, joiner in family business. Mother, shop assistant before marriage; homemaker. Only child. Apprenticed as joiner; after work injury, worked as clerk for local council. Married (nurse), 1 child.
Mr. L2B (Mr. Langley), b. 1900. Father, railway worker. Initially lamp boy, later shunter on the railway. Married, 2 children.
Mrs. L3B (Mrs. Lewthwaite), b. 1920. Father, long periods of unemployment before becoming storeman in Vickers in late 1930s. Mother, domestic servant before marriage; cleaner afterwards. One of 2 children. Worked as servant, shop assistant, munitions worker until birth of only child. Married.
Mr. L4B (Mr. Latham), b. 1931. Father, chemist. Mother, tracer in Vickers before marriage; helped in family shop after marriage. Only child. Informant went to university but failed degree course. Career in city government. Married, no children.
Mr. L5B (Mr. Lucas), b. 1950. Father, blast-furnaceman; Mother, laundry-worker and seamstress (after marriage). One of three children. Worked as draftsman and merchant seaman. Married, 1 adopted child.
Mrs. L5B (Mrs. Lucas), b. 1943. Father, draftsman. Mother, shop assistant before marriage. One of three children. Teacher. 1 adopted child.
Mr. M1B (Mr. Martin), b. 1892. Father, railway laborer. Mother, domestic service before marriage. 5th of 12 children (2 died). Very poor family. Worked for the Co-op shops. Married.
Mrs. M1B (Mrs. Martin), b. 1898. Father, boilermaker at steelworks. Mother, domestic service before marriage. Youngest of 5 children (1 died). Homemaker. Family prosperity and social aspirations ruined by Depression.
Mr. M2B (Mr. Middleton), b. 1898. Father, sailor who died when informant was 3. Informant raised by mother, uncle, and grandfather. Worked for Vickers.
Mrs. M3B (Mrs. Musgrove), b. 1886. Parents from Ireland. Father, shipwright. Mother,
cook before marriage; later ran a parlor shop. One of 10 children (5 died). Pupil teacher, Suffragette, active in Girl Guides and church. Married, no children.

Mr. M5B (Mr. Mitton), b. 1882. Father, miner. Mother died when informant was a child. Informant came to Barrow as munitions worker from Canada in 1915.


Mr. M6B (Mr. Mallingham), b. 1892. Grew up in Tyneside. One of 12 children. Munitions worker during World War I; leader of unemployed during 1920s. Married, 1 child.

Mr. M7B (Mr. Maines), b. 1897. Father kept fish and chip shop. Mother worked in the jute works before marriage and in the family shop after marriage. Fourth of 12 children (2 died). Apprenticed as a draftsman.

Mr. M8B (Mr. Most), b. 1901. Father, commercial traveler and shop assistant. Mother, homemaker. Rent collector. Married, 1 child.


Mr. M12 B (Mr. Morris), b. 1933. Father, joiner. Mother, musician. Only child. Worked in accounts office. Married, 2 children.


Mr. M13B (Mr. Morton), b. 1927. Father, fitter for railway and Vickers. Mother, mill work before and for first two years of marriage. Fourth of 6 children. Fitter at Vickers. Secretary, Engineering Union. Married, 1 child.


Mrs. 01B (Mrs. Owen), b. 1916. Father died in 1921. Steppfather, crane-driver. Mother, cook before marriage. Part-time cook and cleaner after marriage. One of 6 children (3 died). Shop assistant before marriage (factory worker). One child.

Mr. P1B (Mr. Perkins), b. 1900. Father, laborer. Mother, factory work before marriage. Fourth of 6 children. Fitter and turner at Vickers. Married, 3 children.

Mrs. P2B (Mrs. Pinkerton), b. 1902. Father, boilermaker; frequently unemployed. Mother, cook before marriage; cleaner in shipyard when widowed. Office girl in Town Hall.

Mrs. P3B (Mrs. Parton), b. 1873. Father, sea captain and dock-worker. Mother died when informant was a young child. Informant never went to school. Domestic servant.

Mr. P4B (Mr. Place), b. 1899. Father, blacksmith in Vickers. Mother (Spanish), shop assistant before marriage. Third of 5 children.


Mrs. P5B (Mrs. Priestley), b. 1950. Father, skilled factory work. Mother, part-time shop assistant. One of 3 children. Married, 5 children.

Married twice (first wife died). 2 children.

Mrs. P6B (Mrs. Peel), b. 1921. Father, postal worker. Mother, worked in pub before marriage; ran boarding house after widowed. One of 2 children. Shop assistant, publican; married 3 times (divorced philandering first husband; second husband died). 4 children.

Mr. Q1B (Mr. Quayle), b. 1897. Father died before informant was born. Younger of 2 children. Apprenticed as Co-op grocer.

Mrs. R1B (Mrs. Ralston), b. 1889. Father, captain of his own coastal vessel. Later, berthing master at harbor. Mother, weaver in jute works before marriage. Second of 6 children. Worked at jute works before mother’s death. Married, 2 children.

Mr. R3B (Mr. Rollins), b. 1931. Father, skilled railway worker. Elder of 2 children.

Rose through ranks in Co-op shops. Married (Co-op worker), 2 children.


Mr. S1B (Mr. Sage), b. 1896. Father, stonemason. One of 5 children. Skilled worker and union official.


Mrs. S3B (Mrs. Sykes), b. 1927. Father, electrician’s mate. Mother, shop assistant before marriage. One of 3 children. Shop assistant and clerk before birth of first child. Married (skilled worker), 2 children.

Mr. S4B (Mr. Sullivan), b. 1922. Father, railway laborer. One of 3 children. Warehouseman and insurance agent; various jobs at Vickers. Married, no children.

Mr. T1B (Mr. Tomlinson), b. 1884. Father, skilled work at Vickers and shopkeeper. Mother, matron in boarding school and shopkeeper. One of 5 children. Worked for National Telephone Company.

Miss T2B (Miss Thistle), b. 1888. Father, manager of corn mill (died, 1900). One of 13 children (1 died). Domestic servant.


Mrs. W1B (Mrs. Wilson), b. 1900. Father, moulder. One of 10 children (2 died). Servant, later shop assistant. Married, 1 child.

Mrs. W3B (Mrs. West), b. 1884. Father, miner from Cornwall. Second of 6 children. Domestic servant before marriage. 2 children.

Mr. W4B (Mr. Wallace), b. 1923. Father, skilled work in cotton mill. Only child. Lived in Barrow, 1952–70. Engineer, Naval Base; later lecturer at Technical College. Wife worked in tax office before marriage. 4 children.


Lancaster


Mr. A2L (Mr. Ash), b. 1905. Father, skilled worker. Mother, domestic service before marriage. Died when informant was 12. Eldest of 4 children (2 died). Heating and ventilating engineer. Married, 1 child.


Mrs. A3L (Mrs. Atkin), b. 1944. Father kept fish and chip shop and worked as foreman for the River Board. Mother did mill work, then farm work. Second of 3 children. Nursery Assistant. Married (mechanical engineer, Williamson’s; draftsman, Storey’s), 2 children.

Mr. A4L (Mr. Adderley), b. 1926. Father, laborer. Mother, usherette before marriage; munitions worker during World War II; sewing at home. One of 8 children. Farm worker, military service, factory work (severely injured), sales rep for Hoover, publican. Married. 3 children.

Mrs. A4L (Mrs. Adderley), b. 1932. Father, farm worker. Mother, mill worker before marriage. One of 2 children. Shop assistant and clerk before marriage; after marriage, shop assistant and pub landlady. 3 children.

Dr. A5L (Dr. Armstrong), b. 1918. Father, clerk with Scottish Oils (subsidiary of British Petroleum). Mother, homemaker. General Practitioner who began practice in Lancaster in 1948.

Mrs. B1L (Mrs. Ball), b. 1888. Father, mill laborer. Mother, weaver before and after marriage. One of 5 children. Weaver. Married, 4 children.

Mr. B2L (Mr. Barnes), b. 1907. Stepfather, railway laborer. Mother, domestic servant before marriage; went out cleaning after marriage. One of 4 children. Mule-spinner in cotton mill.

Mr. C1L (Mr. Carson), b. 1902. Father, fireman at mill. Also made money by gambling. Mother, cook before and occasionally after marriage. One of 3 children. Engineer at Storey’s.

Miss C2L (Miss Coyle), b. 1903. Father, skilled work and labor activist. Mother, caretaker and sewing before marriage. One of 4 children. Weaver.
Mr. C3L (Mr. Carrington), b. 1898. Father, professional soldier. Youngest of 6 children. Clerk at Storey’s.

Mr. C4L (Mr. Cross), b. 1914. Father, gardener; soldier, World War I; Co-op collector; periods of unemployment. Mother, weaver before and after marriage; went out cleaning. Only child. Office worker at Williamsons. Married, 1 child.

Mr. C6L (Mr. Chambers), b. 1896? Father, chemist. Chemist with a large working-class clientele. Wife (who contributed to interview) helped in chemist’s shop.

Mrs. C7L (Mrs. Critchley), b. 1926. Father, laborer. Mother, weaver before and after marriage. One of 5 children. Post office worker until 18 months after marriage (to policeman). 3 children.

Mrs. C8L (Mrs. Center), b. 1942. Mother, mill worker before and after marriage. Mill work before and after marriage; part-time cleaner. Married (mechanic), 2 children.


Mr. F2L (Mr. Farrell), b. 1946. Father, butcher. Mother, domestic work. One of six children. Mechanic. Married, 3 children.

Mr. G1L (Mr. Grand), b. 1904. Father, laborer in Williamson’s. Mother, domestic service before marriage; took in washing and went out cleaning afterwards. One of 5 children. Laborer, then professional soldier. Married, 1 child.

Mr. G2L (Mr. Gordon), b. 1879. Father, clerk. Mother, domestic service before marriage; homemaker. Youngest of 6 children. Joiner, who started a successful business.

Mr. G3L (Mr. Graves), b. 1937. Father, laborer. Mother, domestic service before marriage. Later, went out cleaning and took in lodgers. One of 5 children. Storekeeper. Married (shop assistant), 2 children.

Mr. H1L (Mr. Hardine), b. 1904. Father, bricklayer. Mother, seamstress before marriage. Both from Ireland. Very poor family that moved 21 times, mainly in Skerton area of Lancaster. One of 2 children. Errand boy, later bricklayer. Married, no children.

Mrs. H2 L (Mrs. Harte), b. 1889. Father, laborer. Mother, weaver before marriage; took in lodgers afterwards. One of 11 children (3 died). Weaver, then domestic service. Married, 3 children.

Mr. H3L (Mr. Horton), b. 1904. Father, blacksmith, caretaker, mill handyman. Lived for a time in Canada. Mother, weaver. Second of 4 children. Skilled and unskilled mill work. Married, 3 children.

Mrs. H3L (Mrs. Horton), b. 1903. Father, weaver who died in 1919. Mother, domestic service before marriage; childminding, laundry, and sewing afterwards. Eighth of 10 children (3 died). Shop work, domestic service, and mill work. Married, 3 children.

Miss H4L (Miss Herndon), b. 1883. Father, color mixer in textile mill. Mother, weaver before and after marriage. Only child. Weaver.

Mrs. H6L (Mrs. Hocking), b. 1933. Father, tailor, deserted family after World War II. Mother, proof-reader after husband left. One of 2 children. Key-punch operator, telephonist. Homemaker after marriage (to electrician and sales rep), 3 children.

Mr. H7L (Mr. Hinchcliffe), b. 1947. Parents divorced when he was a child. Mother married three times. Mother, mill worker before marriage; went out cleaning after marriage. Informant closer to grandmother (with whom he lived) than mother. Only child. Plumber. Never married.

Mr. H10L (Mr. Hope), b. 1915. Lancaster chemist who began work in 1930.

Mr. I1L (Mr. Ives), b. 1902. Father, railway fireman, boilerman at Williamson’s, munitions work during World War I. Mother, dressmaker before marriage. One of 3 children. Apprenticed as cabinetmaker at Waring and Gillow.

Mr. I2L (Mr. Ingham), b. 1930. Father, bookmaker and café proprietor. Mother, teacher before marriage. One of 7 children. Electrician. Married and divorced ( shorthand typist), 1 child.

Mr. J1L (Mr. James), b. 1903. Father, warehouseman at Storey’s. Mother, dressmaker before marriage; took in sewing after marriage. Younger of 2 children.

Mr. K1L (Mr. King), b. 1907. Father, baker. Mother, weaver, cook, and munitions worker (World War I) before marriage; later took in lodgers. One of 4 children. Baker. Married, 2 children.

Mr. L1L (Mr. Lane), b. 1896. Father, docker in Salford. Second of 9 children. Informant settled in Lancaster in 1921. Soldier, later laborer, active in left wing and trade union politics. Married, 2 children.

Mrs. L2L (Mrs. Leighton), b. 1941. Father, dental technician. Mother, shop assistant before marriage and after children started school. One of 3 children. Office work before and after marriage (to electrician). 2 children.

Mrs. L3L (Mrs. Lonsdale), b. 1947. Father, unknown. Mother, factory worker. Middle of 3 children (1 given up for adoption). Factory work before and after marriage (to electrician). Divorced and remarried. 2 children.

Mr. M1L (Mr. Madison), b. 1910. Stepfather, mill laborer. (Father deserted family during World War I.) Mother, seamstress before marriage; later sold pies made at home. One of 7 children (all step-siblings.) Warehouseman. Married, 8 children.


Mrs. M3L (Mrs. Melling), b. 1917. Father, fitter and laborer. Mother died young (as did stepmother). Informant kept house for the family afterwards. Sixth of 8 children. Married, 2 children.

Miss M4L (Miss Meade), b. 1902. Father, shop manager. Mother, shop assistant, then buyer. Only child. Shop assistant, then kept house for mother.


Mr. M8L (Mr. Moudy), b. 1926. Father, laborer at Williamson’s. Youngest of 8 children. Office worker before military service. Later owned and operated bakers and confectioner’s shop.

Mr. M9L (Mr. Miller), b. 1924. Father, skilled factory worker. Mother, spinner before birth of first child. Second of 4 children. Skilled factory worker. Married, no children.
Mr. M10L (Mr. Monkham), b. 1948. Father, laborer. Mother, mill worker before marriage, part-time cleaning after children at school. Fifth of 8 children. Office and shop worker before he became a nurse. Married (office worker), 2 children.

Mrs. N1L (Mrs. Nance), b. 1899. Father, painter and decorator who was often unemployed and regularly deserted the family. Mother, slubber (twisting wool for spinning) before marriage; later took in washing. One of at least 9 children.


Mr. N3L (Mr. Needham), b. 1921. Father, window cleaner. Mother, mill work before marriage; café work after marriage. One of 6 children.

Mrs. N3L (Mrs. Needham), b. 1919. Father, laborer who was disabled (gassed) during World War I service. Mother, mill work before marriage. Some home laundry afterwards. Factory work. First child born out of wedlock in workhouse. Married, 4 children.


Mr. P1L (Mr. Parke), b. 1894. Father, clerk. Mother, homemaker. One of 3 children. Engineer. Married, 1 child.

Mrs. P1L (Mrs. Parke), b. 1898. Father, factory foreman. Mother, homemaker. One of 5 children (1 died). Weaver and clerk at textile mill. Married, 1 child.

Mr. P2L (Mr. Pratt), b. 1899. Father, laborer at Williamson’s. Mother, confectioner before marriage. She died in 1912. One of 9 children. Laborer. Married, 2 children.

Mrs. P3L (Mrs. Paulson), b. 1948. Father, laborer. Mother, factory worker before and after marriage; later went out cleaning. One of 2 children. Office work before and after marriage (to cook). Divorced. One child.

Mr. R1L (Mr. Ritter), b. 1894. Father, driver who died in 1897. Mother took in washing. Third of 6 children (1 died). Informant and 3 siblings grew up in Ripley Hospital (orphanage). Builder.

Mr. R2L (Mr. Rowse), b. 1903. Father, coachman and chauffeur. Mother, domestic servant and housekeeper. Only child. Apprenticed as motor mechanic and drove for a laundry.

Mr. R3L (Mr. Rust), b. 1890. Father, wood carver and turner. Mother, nurse before marriage. One of two children. Cabinet maker. Married. 6 children.

Mrs. S1L (Mrs. Shelby), b. 1898. Father, tinsmith. Mother, weaver before marriage. Died in childbirth. Informant raised by grandparents. One of 2 children. Shop assistant. Married, 3 children.

Miss S2L (Miss Sellers), b. 1894. Father, baker. Weaver, mainly in Halifax. Came to Lancaster in 1921. Active trade unionist.

Mr. S3L (Mr. Sanderson), b. 1884. Father, carter. Youngest of 13 children. Apprenticed as blacksmith. Married.

Mrs. S3L (Mrs. Sanderson), b. 1892. Father, mill laborer. Mother, weaver before marriage.
riage; childminder and laundress after marriage. Tenter and winder at mill. Married.

Mrs. S4L (Mrs. Scales), b. 1896. Father, gravedigger. Mother, washerwoman before and after marriage. Eighth of 9 children. Weaver. Married, 1 child.

Mrs. S5L (Mrs. Struck), b. 1897. Father, foreman at Williamson’s. Mother, dressmaker before and after marriage. One of 2 children. Prosperous upwardly mobile family until father deserted them in the 1920s. Apprenticed as dressmaker, then worked at home.

Mrs. S6L (Mrs. Swallow), b. 1948. Father, laborer. After marriage, mother did evening factory shift, then nursing. Sixth of 9 children. Nurse and social worker. Married (engineer), 2 children.

Mr. S7L (Mr. Simpkins), b. 1932. Father, newspaper seller. Died, 1938. Mother, homemaker who depended on public assistance after husband’s death. Middle of 5 children (1 died). Weaver, widow cleaner, hypnotist. Married and divorced (clerk). Second wife, a nurse. 3 children.

Mr. T1L (Mr. Turner), b. 1888. Father, electric wire. Mother, farm hand before marriage, washerwoman after. One of 7 children (1 died). Painter. Married, 2 children.

Mrs. T2L (Mrs. Turnbull), b. 1932. Father died before her birth. Stepfather, laborer. Mother, skilled mill work before and after marriage. Eldest (with twin) of 4 children. Weaver. After marriage (soldier and laborer), home help and nursing. 4 children.

Mr. V1L (Mr. Vales), b. 1908. Father, nurse in Moor (mental) Hospital. Mother, domestic service before marriage. Eldest of 4 children (1 died). Joiner. Married, 2 children.

Mrs. W1L (Mrs. Wilkinson), b. 1881. One of 12 children (4 died). Came to Lancaster in 1895. Married in 1900 and, with her husband, kept Scotforth (south edge of Lancaster) Post Office and grocer’s shop for many years.

Mrs. W2L (Mrs. Winder), b. 1910. Father, grocer, later clerk. Mother, domestic service before marriage; took in sewing afterwards. One of 3 children. Shop assistant. Married, 3 children.

Mr. W3L (Mr. Watkins), b. 1911. Father, clerk at Williamson’s. Mother ran family shop. Joiner.

Mrs. W4L (Mrs. Wallington), b. 1923. Father, painter and art shopkeeper. Mother, helped in family shop and later had her own grocery shop. During World War II, sewed for Waring and Gillow. Elder of 2 daughters. Shop assistant, war work, secretary. In 1960, opened mixed grocery shop in the front room of her house. Married, 3 children (1 died).

Mr. W5L (Mr. Whiteside), b. 1940. Father, fishmonger. Mother, domestic service before marriage; went out cleaning afterward. One of six children. Factory wroker. Married, 1 child.

Mrs. W5L (Mrs. Whiteside), b. 1943. No details about parents. After marriage, part-time cleaner and clerk. Married, 1 child.

Mr. W6L (Mr. Warwick), b. 1931. Father, factory laborer who served in World War II. Mother, part-time mill work. Eldest of 3 children. Electrician. Married, 2 children.

Mrs. W6L (Mrs. Warwick), b. 1937. Father, merchant seaman. Mother, shop assistant before marriage. Sewed uniforms and packed food parcels during World War II.
Youngest of 3 children. Shop assistant and bookkeeper before marriage. After marriage did shop work and evening work as domestic in hospital. Married, 2 children.

Mrs. Y1L (Mrs. Yardley), b. 1927. Father, laborer before and after war service. Mother, munitions work during World War II. One of 7 children. Factory work before and after marriage (soldier, laborer); part-time cleaning. 2 children.

Preston


Miss A3P (Miss Alder), b. 1899. Father, weaver. Mother, weaver; later childminder and washerwoman. One of 3 children (1 died). Weaver.

Mrs. B1P (Mrs. Becker), b. 1900. Father, skilled factory work. Mother died young. Father married 3 times, so informant had 3 half-sisters, 3 brothers and sisters, and 13 stepbrothers and sisters (9 died). Weaver before and after marriage. Married, 4 children.


Miss B3P (Miss Bramley), b. 1900. Father, baker. Mother, ring spinner; helped in family bakery shop after 1913. One of 9 children (3 died). Weaver.


Mrs. B5P (Mrs. Burton), b. 1898. Father, docker. Mother took in washing. One of 8 children. Weaver, laborer in shoe polish factory, and cleaner. Married, 2 children.


Mr. B9P (Mr. Barrington), b. 1927. Father, waiter. Mother, weaver before and after marriage. One of 2 children. University lecturer.


Mr. B11P (Mr. Boyle), b. 1937. Father, laborer. Stepfather, laborer. Mother, cleaner and factory worker. Lived with non-relatives for several years due to family poverty. One of 12 children (4 died). Laborer, frequently unemployed. Married, 5 children.

Mrs. B11P (Mrs. Boyle), b. 1936. Father, riveter on docks, then factory work. Mother, factory work before marriage; when youngest child was 3, factory cleaner. Second of 6 children. Factory work before first child was born; later, childminding and sewing at home. Married, 5 children.

Mr. C1P (Mr. Cranston), b. 1884. Father, railway worker from Isle of Man. Mother, weaver before marriage. One of 6 children (2 died). Weaver. Married (weaver), no children.

Mrs. C2P (Mrs. Champion), b. 1899. Father, tailor. Mother, tailor’s machinist before
married; afterwards, took in sewing. One of 3 children. Weaver. Married (farmer), 2 children.


Miss C4P (Miss Cheswick), b. 1879. Father, Manchester doctor. Teaching nun, Preston, beginning in 1912.

Mr. C7P (Mr. Clay), b. 1892, Liverpool. Shopkeeper and insurance agent in Preston, 1920–1940. Married (part-time handicraft teacher), 3 children.

Mr. C8P (Mr. Christy), b. 1928. Father (Mr. C7P), shopkeeper, insurance agent, war service, clerk. Mother, part-time teacher. One of 3 children. Chemist. Married (laboratory assistant), 3 children.

Mrs. C8P (Mrs. Christy), b. 1939. Father, laboratory assistant (unemployed after 1955). Mother, factory work before marriage; later, part-time domestic work. One of 5 children. Laboratory technician. Married (analytical chemist), 3 children.

Mrs. D1P (Mrs. Dent), b. 1908. Father, laborer. Mother, weaver; later, washerwoman. Only child. Shop assistant; factory work. Married (husband died after one year of marriage), 1 child.

Mr. D2P (Mr. Danner), b. 1910. Father, soldier from London. Mother, domestic service before marriage; took in sewing and cleaned afterward. One of 9 children (2 died). Cabinetmaker and clerk. Married (teacher), 3 children.

Mrs. D3P (Mrs. Dorrington), b. 1905 in Wigan. Father, miner; stepfather, paper deliverer and knocker-up from Preston. Mother, tailor before marriage; later, worked on munitions and took in lodgers. One of 2 children. Factory work; after marriage, kept pubs with husband. 6 children.

Mr. E1P (Mr. Eckley), b. 1895. Father, pub keeper and fish hawker. Died when informant was very young. Mother, mill work before marriage; kept pub later. Also died when informant was a child. One of 4 children. Weaver, spinner, World War I service, hotel porter. Married (weaver before birth of first child), 2 children.

Mrs. E2P (Mrs. Emery), b. 1937. Father, factory work. Mother, weaver before informant was born. Only child. Factory and mill-worker before and after marriage (laborer). 2 children.


Mr. F2P (Mr. Flowers), b. 1909. Father, soldier; later docker. Mother died at informant’s birth. Informant raised by aunt and uncle. One of 2 children (1 died). Various jobs, beginning as errand-boy and ending as area manager for large firm. Married, 2 children.

Mr. G1P (Mr. Grove), b. 1903. Father, mill work. Mother, weaver. One of 8 children (2 died). Weaver. Married (weaver), 5 children (1 died).


Mr. G3P (Mr. Glover), b. 1913. Father, engineer. Mother, weaver before marriage; childminder afterwards. One of 4 children (1 died). Mill worker. Married (weaver), 2 children.

Mr. G4P (Mr. Gardner), b. 1895. Father, publican. Mother, weaver; later helped in pub. One of 4 children (1 died). Weaver, later tackler (skilled mill work). Married
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Mrs. G5P (Mrs. Gerard), b. 1958. Father, laborer. Mother, mill worker before marriage; later, childminding and sewing at home. One of 5 children. Factory work before marriage (work study engineer, shopkeeper); cleaner afterwards. 3 children.

Mr. G6P (Mr. Goodwin), b. 1945. Father, warehouse manager of cotton mill made redundant at age 54. Then factory laborer. Mother, weaver before marriage; afterwards, school dinner lady. Fourth of 5 children (1 died). Clerk, printer. Unmarried.

Mr. G7P (Mr. Goodwin), b. 1941. Brother of Mr. G6P. Third of 5 children (1 died). Engineer. Married, 2 children.


Mrs. H1P (Mrs. Hampton), b. 1911. Father, publican. Mother helped in pub. One of 15 children (5 died.) Weaver. Married, 3 children.

Mrs. H2P (Mrs. Howe), b., 1898. Father, spinner and mule minder. Mother, weaver (until husband promoted). One of 3 children. Weaver. Married (blacksmith and soldier), 1 child.

Mr. H3P (Mr. Hunter), b. 1928. Father, factory worker, soldier, and professional football referee. Mother, factory work before marriage. Only child. Teacher. Married (secretary), 1 child.


Mrs. H4P (Mrs. Havelock), b. 1903. Father, fitter; frequently unemployed. Mother, weaver before marriage; afterward, intermittently weaver, cleaner, laundress. One of 10 children (2 died). Weaver, domestic service. Married (laborer), 2 adopted children.

Mr. H6P (Mr. Hughes), b. 1896. Father, blacksmith. Mother, weaver before marriage; helped on market stall afterwards. One of 6 children (2 died). Weaver, soldier (World War I), miner. Married (weaver), 4 children (1 died).


Mrs. H8P (Mrs. Hill), b. 1903. Father, clogger. Mother, mill worker before marriage; childminder afterwards. One of 12 children (4 died). Weaver. Married, 1 child.

Mrs. H9P (Mrs. Harrison), b. 1945. Father, market gardener and laborer. Mother, weaver before marriage; afterwards, helped in market garden and shop assistant. One of 2 children. Teacher, Married (teacher), no children.


Dr. K1P (Dr. Kuppersmith), b. 1900. General Practitioner in very poor area of Preston between 1928 and 1978.

Mr. K2P (Mr. Kennedy), b. 1930. Father, docker. Mother, domestic service after marriage. Munitions work, 1939–67. Middle of 3 children. Trawlerman, docker. Married (spinner before marriage; later part-time mail-order warehouse work), 6 children.

Mr. L1P (Mr. Lincoln), b. 1894. Father, carter; casual work after injured. Family on poor relief; father broke stones at the workhouse. One of 12 children (1 died). Weaver, soldier (World War I), loom-sweeper, munitions work (World War II). Married (weaver), 2 children.

Mrs. L1P (Mrs. Lincoln), b. 1900. Father, carter. Mother took in washing, did midwifery and laying out after marriage. One of 10 children (1 died). Weaver. Married, 2 children.

Mr. L3P (Mr. Lodge), b. 1919. Father, mill worker. Mother, weaver and cleaner. One of 2 children. War service, laborer, docker. Married, 4 children.

Mrs. L3P (Mrs. Lodge), b. 1922. Father, carder, part-time bookie’s runner. One of 2 children. Worked in lamp factory and went out cleaning. Married, 4 children.

Mrs. M1P (Mrs. Masterson), b. 1913. Father, fitter and turner; died 1922. Mother, weaver before marriage; some childminding afterwards. One of 6 children (1 died). Mill work. Married (airman killed in 1944), 2 children (1 died).

Mr. M2P (Mr. Malvern), b. 1901. Father, crane driver at docks. Mother, weaver. One of 4 children. Furniture builder, docker. Married, 2 children.

Mrs. M3P (Mrs. Maxwell), b. 1898. Father, dock-worker. Mother, dressmaker before marriage; afterwards, went out cleaning. One of 7 children (4 died). Weaver and factory worker; after marriage, went out cleaning. Married (weaver, soldier, warehouseman, factory worker, frequently unemployed 1926–32), 5 children.


Mr. M7P (Mr. Muldoon), born in Ireland, 1922. Father, farmer. Mother helped on farm. One of 10 children. Came to Preston at age 18. Docker. Married (school cleaner), 3 children.

Mrs. 01P (Mrs. Oxley), b. 1902. Father, weaver. Mother, dressmaker. One of 11 children (2 died). Weaver, piano teacher. Married (shop assistant), 4 children.

Mrs. P1P (Mrs. Peterson), b. 1899. Father, blacksmith who left family when informant was very young. Mother, unskilled mill worker before marriage; hawker afterwards. One of 5 children (1 died). Weaver and part-time cleaner. Married (laborer), 6 children (2 died).

Mrs. P2P (Mrs. Preston), b. 1907. Father, skilled mill worker. Mother, weaver before marriage; shop-keeper afterwards. One of 6 children (2 died). Weaver, factory worker, shop-keeper. Married (helped in family shop), 1 child.

Mr. R1P (Mr. Rowlandson), b. 1944. Father, Co-op shop assistant, later manager. Mother, weaver before marriage; part-time cleaner and factory work afterwards. Only child. Engineer. Married, 1 child.


Mr. R3P (Mr. Read), b. 1931. Father, caretaker for church and Sunday School. Mother, dressmaker at home. Elder of 2 children. Factory worker, driver. Married, 3 children (1 died).

Mrs. R3P (Mrs. Read), b. 1927. Father, laborer. Mother, weaver before marriage. One of
4 children (1 died). Baker; weaver until first child was born. Married, 3 children (1 died).

Mr. S1P (Mr. Short), b. 1900. Father, carter. Mother, domestic service before marriage; went out cleaning afterwards. One of 4 children. Weaver, railwayman, soldier, laborer. Married (weaver), no children.

Mrs. S2P (Mrs. Strong), b. 1897. Father, farmer (Ireland). Farm servant. Married (laborer), 1 child.

Mrs. S3P (Mrs. Shirley), b. 1892. Father, mill worker. Mother, weaver until there were too many children. One of at least 8 children (at least 2 died). Ring spinner. Married (soldier killed in World War I 4 weeks after marriage). No children.

Mr. S4P (Mr. Southworth), b. 1915. Father, patternmaker. Mother, machinist and teacher before marriage. One of 2 children (1 died). Teacher. Married, 3 children.

Mrs. S5P (Mrs. Steele), b. 1898. Father, blacksmith. Mother, ring spinner until third child was born. One of 10 children (2 died). Weaver. Married (plasterer), no children.


Mr. T1P (Mr. Townley), b. 1897. Father, dockers. Mother, mill worker before marriage; later, kept a sweet shop. One of 17 children (4 died). Weaver, loom sweeper, soldier, tram conductor, laborer; frequently unemployed. Married 3 times, 3 children (1 illegitimate, 2 died).

Mr. T2P (Mr. Thomas), b. 1903. Father, laborer, soldier. Mother, weaver. One of 7 children (4 died). Mill work, munitions work, railway driver. Married (factory worker), 1 child.

Mr. T3P (Mr. Tasker), b. 1886. Father, farm laborer. Mother, mill work before marriage; washerwoman afterwards. One of 7 children (3 died). Spinner, shuttlemaker, insurance collector. Married (spinner), 3 children (1 died).

Miss T4P (Miss Thompson), b. 1912. Father, mill laborer. Mother, weaver. One of 5 children (1 died). Weaver. No children.


Mrs. W4P (Mrs. Washburn), b. 1900. Father, bricklayer who died when informant was one year old. Mother, barmaid before marriage; after widowed, kept a shop and took in lodgers. One of 10 children (2 died). Weaver. Married (driver, deliveryman), 1 child.

Mr. W6P (Mr. Woods), b. 1887. Father, itinerant preacher and baptizer, who died in 1891. Stepfather, soldier, farmer, dockworker, fireman. Mother, domestic servant; after marriage, kept a small shop. Nurseryman. Unmarried, no children.

Mr. W7P (Mr. Whitaker), b. 1940. Father, soldier. Mother, mill and munitions work. One of 2 children (1 died). Raised by grandparents. Factory work. Married (factory worker and civil servant), no children.

Mr. W8P (Mr. Wheeler), b. 1949. Son of Polish immigrants. Father, factory worker and


Mrs. Y2P (Mrs. Young), b. 1915. Mother of Mr. Y1P. Father, mill worker, served in World War I. Mother, weaver. One of 5 children. This informant spent much of her childhood in New England before returning to Preston in her early teens. Mill worker, trained nurse. Married (construction worker), 3 children.