Way Back Then...

Have you ever dressed up for a special occasion? Maybe you've dressed up for a wedding, a funeral, or church. Boys sometimes wear nice suits and girls wear fancy dresses for these occasions.

Do boys usually wear a suit and tie to a birthday party? Do girls wear fancy dresses to ride in an airplane? Today this might seem strange, but many years ago, people would dress up in nice clothes for all sorts of things.

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing was written back in the 1970s. Back then, people would dress up for a birthday party, an airplane trip, dinner at a restaurant, or even a trip to the store.

In Chapter 5, Fudge gives his parents a hard time about dressing him up in a suit for his birthday party. Back then, it would not have been acceptable to attend a party in a t-shirt or jeans. People would have thought his parents didn't care how he looked.

Discussion:

Do you like to dress up in nice clothes? Why or why not?

What are some special occasions people dress up for in today’s world?
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