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"What Street Do You Live On?" Video - Discussion:

- Which family did you enjoy listening about the most? Why?
- Do you currently live on one of the roads named Bell, Grimm, Lenn, Libbert or Vanada? Have you lived on 2. one of them in the past at an old address?
- Three of the families came to America from a country in Europe named Germany and one family came from Scotland. Many people living in Newburgh today are of German descent. Are you? If you are unsure ask a parent, grandparent or other older family member. Perhaps your ancestors are from the many other wonderful countries of the world. Your heritage is precious and always to be respected.
- The Grimm family lived on a farm. The farm products they produced were sold for money and a profit. The profit was used to buy more seeds to plant and animals to raise. The Grimms and all early farmers also needed some of their farm produce to feed and clothe themselves as well. Farming is hard work both now and in the past. Most farms today produce crops that eventually come back to us when we purchase groceries. Corn, beans, pumpkins, watermelons, bread, cereal, and apples are examples of farm products we buy. Farm animals such as dairy cows produce the milk we drink and chickens lay the eggs we scramble. Sheep wool gives us yarn for warm sweaters and blankets. Today there are even wind farms! What do you think they would produce and how would they produce it? Do you or anyone you know live on a farm? Have you been lucky enough to visit a farm? Write about or draw a picture of a good memory you have of a farm.
- One man from the Bell family kept a diary. Because of his diary we know much about what life was like many years ago. Probably he wrote about the important things he did each day, and events that happened to his family and neighbors. He may also have written about simple things like the weather or new shoes. You can start a diary of your life! Use a notebook or computer to write about each day or week. As time goes by it will be so interesting to read what has happened. Illustrate your diary by drawing pictures, or adding photographs to better explain your words.
- The Lenn family have lived in this area for over 200 years. Some in this family were soldiers and one even knew our first president, George Washington and was a friend of Daniel Boone. A nearby town named Boonville, Indiana is named for a close relative of Daniel Boone! Another family member wrote a book about the Lenn family called 'The Trek'. A trek is a long journey. Do you think that is a good name for the book? Why?
- Some members of the Libbert family became coal miners. At one time Newburgh had several active coal mines. Nowadays these mines are closed. What was important about coal many years ago? What was a

common use for coal? Someone in your family may also have worked in mining. You might ask a family member to find out. One member of the Libbert family died when slate rock fell on him in the mines. So we know mining was a dangerous occupation or job. The museum has several artifacts from the Newburgh mines including photos of mules used to pull carts filled with coal. Animals were often used in the past on farms and in mines and in transportation. How was a horse or mule helpful to a farmer or family in those days?

- 8. A century is 100 years. If the Vanada farm was called a centennial farm, how many years do you think it has been an active family farm?
- 9. One story about the Vanada family told of an adventure with a huge wild animal. Do you recall the type animal they fought? Is this animal commonly seen outdoors today? Might you find one in a zoo?
- 10. Some of the crops the Vanadas raised they sold at the market in Newburgh. However, at times they sold their crops in far away places like New Orleans. How do you think they managed to get their crops to a place so far away?