

peranakan MUSEUM

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PERANAKAN MANIA

A FAMILY FUN TRAIL

Go on an adventure as a family to trace
the main episodes of Peranakan life!

PARENTAL GUIDANCE

Welcome to The Peranakan Museum!

This museum showcases the world's finest and most comprehensive Peranakan collection and we invite you to explore this special place with your child. Before entering the galleries, you may wish to share the importance of museum etiquette with your child.

Some guiding questions:

- What are some of the things you can do to show respect to the museum and its objects?
- There are several other visitors to the museum too. What can you do to help make this trip to the museum special for them?

MUSEUM ETIQUETTE



USE YOUR
MUSEUM VOICE



PENCILS
ONLY



TOUCH ONLY WITH
YOUR EYES



NO FLASH
PHOTOGRAPHY



TAKE TURNS TO
SPEAK AND LISTEN



WALK
CALMY



ENJOY FOOD AND
DRINKS OUTSIDE

KITCHEN



This display shows how a traditional Peranakan kitchen might have looked like. The kitchen was used as a space for cooking, storing ingredients, doing other household chores and a space for women to gather and gossip.



SPOT

these objects and identify their uses.



WHAT was used to make this object hot?



WHAT material was used to make this object?



WHAT type of sound can this object make?

FAMILY TIME



You have a friend who stays in a traditional Peranakan house with a traditional kitchen.

You realise his kitchen looks different from your modern kitchen and you giggled.

How do you think your friend would feel? Why?

ANSWER SHEET

KITCHEN

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CHARCOAL IRON

Singapore
Early or Mid 20th Century
Cast Iron

A charcoal iron is a handheld piece of equipment with a flat surface. When heated, it is used to press clothes to remove creases.



TENKAT

Straits Settlements
Early or Mid 20th Century
Enamel

A tengkat is a food container, usually used for storing food, although the miniature variety was used in more unusual ways, from the serving of condiments such as belachan to the safekeeping of jewellery on a dressing table.



MORTAR (BATU LESUNG)

Straits Settlements
c. 1900
Granite

The mortar or batu lesung is used for crushing and pounding everything from candlenuts to lemongrass, breaking up large pieces and releasing flavours.