



# LANG Pioneer Village

Visiting a pioneer village allows us to step into the past and see how pioneers lived when they first came to Canada. There are many pioneer villages across the country, and one of them, Lang Pioneer Village, is in Peterborough, Ontario.

Lang Pioneer Village is a recreation of an 1820-1899 pioneer village. Houses and buildings from the surrounding townships in that era were relocated or reassembled in Lang Pioneer Village. Many of the artifacts were given by local residents, some of whom were descendants of the original settlers in the area.

It was not easy to live in those days. Sometimes, an entire five-member family would have to live in a small house and share a bed, which measured no more than 6' by 4'. There was a 14-room inn where there were few amenities. Occupants needed to use the small spittoon in their rooms or rush to the outhouse (washroom) behind the inn to answer the call of nature. A room with a bathtub cost merely 75 cents, but of course, that was some 200 years ago.

After visiting the village, you can't help but appreciate the amenities that we have taken for granted today.