

Tuesday 24th October

Balanced Argument

It's the 1840s in Ireland and the O'Driscoll family are growing up in the terrible times of the Famine. The disease is called the Blight and because of the potato blight millions of people are dying or evacuating from Ireland. After their parents deserted them they are unsure whether to go to their aunts in Castletaggert which is a long time away or to go to the workhouse.

On the one hand, they would have somewhere to sleep at least and they will have a bed. On the other hand, they could be living with nasty dangerous strangers that they didn't even know.

Secondly, they might get a little education. However they would have rights to follow and they only do lessons once a week.

Thirdly, they would have shelter and the workhouse provided them with a bed and with a daily meal. However, conditions would be damp and smelly.

Lastly, they will get split up because the boys and the girls get separated. Although they might make new friends.

In conclusion I think that they shouldn't go to the workhouse because there are a lot of rights against.