Now it's time for you to start your detective work.

The answer to this question is in the People Gallery.
Just fill in the blank spaces below.

What were the first names of Mr. and Mrs. Funk, the original settlers of Funks Grove?

History Detective CLUE

Isaac and __ __ S __ __ __ __ __ __ Funk
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Mr. and Mrs Funk were typical of the settlers in this area. They were farmers, but they were also involved in the development and growth of the county. Mr. Funk even served in the state government.

Once you find their names and their picture, you will see many objects that are similar to the ones this couple owned. The spinning wheel teaches us that they had to spin their own thread. They probably had to weave their own cloth and make their own clothes, too.

When the Funks first settled in this area, they lived in what was considered to be the Wild West. Bloomington was a small town of wooden buildings and dirt roads. In fact, Bloomington did not have streetlamps until 1857, which meant that the streets were very dark and scary after sunset.

There are many objects in this room that can tell us about settler life.

What is your favorite object??

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