

The Great Fire of London Knowledge Organiser

Overview

WHEN?

When was the Great Fire of London?
This fire started on Sunday 2nd September 1666. It burned for 4 days!

WHERE?

Where was the Great Fire of London?
The fire started in Thomas Farriner's bakery in Pudding Lane, in London.

WHY?

Why did the fire spread so quickly?
The houses were made of wood and straw and they were close together. So, the flames could move quickly.

HOW?

How was the fire put out?
The King ordered that some houses be pulled down. People also used buckets to put it out.

NOW?

How do we know about the Great Fire of London?
People wrote about the fire in letters and newspapers. Samuel Pepys also wrote about it in his diary.



How are houses different from 1666?

Key individuals and sites



Thomas Farriner



Samuel Pepys



Pudding Lane, London



St Paul's Cathedral

Key Vocabulary

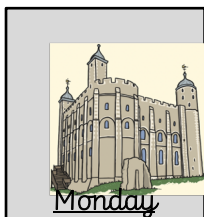
London	London is the capital city of England
diary	A book that people write about their lives in.
Cathedral	A very large church.
River Thames	A river in London which was used to put out the fire.
thatched roof	A roof made from dried straw tied tightly together

TIMELINE OF THE GREAT FIRE OF LONDON



Sunday

Fire starts at 1am



Monday

Fire close to Tower of London



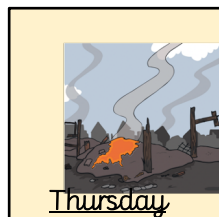
Tuesday

St Paul's Cathedral is destroyed.



Wednesday

Fire spreading more slowly



Thursday

Fire is put out

What do I already know?

- Houses were different during the reign of Queen Victoria.
- In the past, houses were built during different materials.
- We can learn about history from newspapers, letters and diaries