

The Knowledge of Kings



Subject Specific Vocabulary

diary	a book in which you write down events that have happened to you
timeline	A tool used to describe the order in which events happened.
evidence	material presented to help find the truth about something
firebreak	an area of land, or a gap between houses, that has been created to stop a fire from spreading
dynamite	a type of explosive used to blow something up
Tudor	the English royal house that ruled from 1485 to 1603
eyewitness	a person who was there at an event and so can describe it
drought	a continuous period of dry weather when an area gets less than its normal amount of rain
Leather bucket	The skin of an animal used as a material to make a bucket
Mayor	a person who has been elected (chosen by the people) to run a town or city

Why was the Great Fire of London 'great'?



The Royal Charter

- The Great Fire of London began on 2nd September 1666 at a bakery in Pudding Lane.
- The fire spread so quickly because: houses were made of wood; were built close together; it had been a hot summer; and the wind fanned the flames.
- King Charles II ordered houses to be blown up to create a fire break.
- We know facts about the Great Fire because Samuel Pepys wrote a diary at the time.
- A Fire Service was first established, in London, the following year, as a result of lessons learned.



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