

Year 2, Autumn 1: The Great Fire of London



Important people

Thomas Farriner was a baker. The Great Fire began at his bakery.

King Charles II was the King of England in 1666. He led the country to stop the fire.





Sir Christopher Wren rebuilt St Paul's Cathedral after the fire. This is a very large church in London.

Samuel Pepys was an eyewitness. He wrote what happened

Sir Christopher Wren

and things that he saw in his diary.

Samuel Pepys

Geography: London landmarks

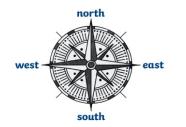
London is the capital city of England.

Here is an aerial map where images have been taken of an area

We use a compass to give directions: North, South, East and

Physical features are natural.

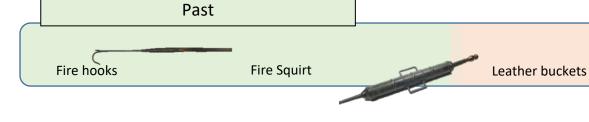
Human features are manmade.



Vocabulary	
River Thames	A river that runs through the middle of London.
Eyewitness	A person who sees an event happen at the time.
Diary	A book that people write about their lives in.
collage	A piece of art that is made from different pieces of paper, photos or other materials.
animate	A type of film made from lots of images joined together so it looks like they are moving.
structure	Something of many parts which is put together. Bridges, buildings and chairs are examples of structures.
Round	A short piece of music where many people sing the same melody but start singing at different times. "London's Burning" is a famous round.

Key Information	
When was the Great Fire of London?	The Great Fire of London began on Sunday 2 nd September 1666. It lasted for four days.
Where did the fire start?	The fire began on Pudding Lane in Thomas Farriner's bakery.
Why did the fire spread so quickly?	The buildings in the past were built from wood and had straw roofs. They were also very close together. This meant that they caught fire easily and the fire spread.
How did the fire stop?	Leather buckets, fire hooks and squirters were used. King Charles II ordered his army to destroy houses to stop the fire spreading more. The wind also died down which made it more difficult for the fire to spread.
What happened after the fire?	After the fire, many buildings were rebuilt. King Charles ordered these new houses to be built further apart and out of stone so that the fire couldn't happen as easily.

Fire alarms







An aerial map of London landmarks



Present



Fire Extinguishers

