



Year 2
Autumn 1: The Great Fire of London

Vocabulary

London	The capital city of England.
Diary	A book which tells you about what happened on different dates.
Flammable	Easily sets on fire.
Source	The start of something.
Eye Witness	A person who has seen something.
Monument	A structure built to remind us of something that happened.
Monarch	The king or queen. King Charles was the king at the time.
Fire service	People who prevent and fight fires.
Century	100 years.
Cart	A vehicle with 2 or 4 wheels pulled by a horse.
Embers	Small pieces of wood or coal glowing at the end of a fire.



Need to know knowledge:

- 1) Know that the Great Fire of London happened on 2nd September 1666. Know that there was a strong wind, which helped the fire to spread.
- 2) Know that Thomas Farriner's bakery in Pudding Lane was the source of the fire as the oven fire was still burning overnight.
- 3) Know that Samuel Pepys was a man living in London at the time and know that he wrote a diary describing the fire.
- 4) Know that they tried to stop the fire by pulling down houses (called a firebreak).
- 5) Know that the fire went on for four days and know that the fire destroyed many homes and St Paul's Cathedral.
- 6) Know that, after the fire, the London Fire Brigade was set up to stop this happening again.



Nice to know knowledge:



1666

Samuel Pepys lived over 300 years ago and wrote about two of the most important events in English history- the Great Fire of London and the Plague.



