

THE GREAT FIRE OF LONDON

Key Vocabulary



A shortage of water.

Drought



The capital of England.

London



A printed publication containing news, articles, advertisements.

Newspaper



The river running through London.

Thames



Something that catches fire.

Flammable



A place where bread or cakes are made and sold.

Bakery



Fire is a chemical reaction caused when heat, fuel and oxygen combine, creating flames and smoke.

Fire

Key People



Samuel Pepys

He wrote a detailed diary about the Great Fire of London.



King Charles II

He was the King of England and Scotland at the time of the Great Fire of London. He made a speech to the people of London telling them how he would rebuild the city and how he would stop another disaster like the fire happening again.



What I should already know:

- To recap significant events in history.
- To order events in chronological order
- To recap significant people in history

What I will learn:

To research using a variety of materials and sources.

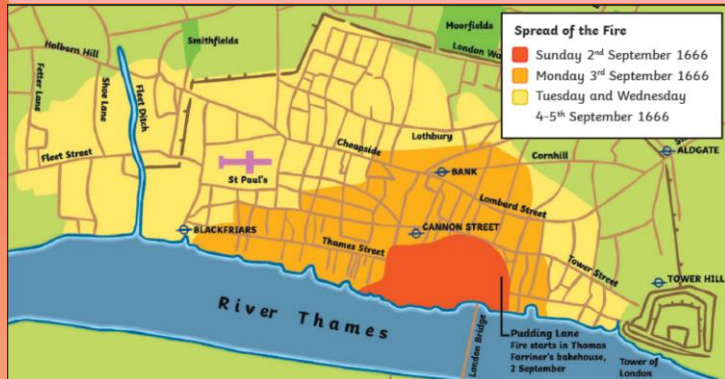
To use time lines to place events in chronological order.

To use sources to research what happened after the events.

Look at a variety of sources: diary entries, pictures, paintings, etc.

KEY FACTS:

- The Great Fire of London happened in September 1666 and lasted for four days.
- It started in a bakery on Pudding Lane.
- London was very dry because there was no rain for 10 months!
- People wrote about the fire in letters and newspapers. A man named Samuel Pepys wrote about it too!
- People tried to stop the fire using buckets of water, metal hooks, and water squirts.
- After the fire, houses were built with bricks instead of wood, and they weren't so close together.



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Monday 3rd September 1666

The fire gets very close to the Tower of London.

Tuesday 4th September 1666

St Paul's Cathedral is destroyed by the fire.

Timeline of Events

Sunday 2nd September 1666

The fire starts at around 1 a.m. Mid-morning: Samuel Pepys starts to write about the fire in his **diary**.

Wednesday 5th September 1666

The wind dies down and the fire spreads more slowly.

Thursday 6th September 1666

The fire is finally put out. Thousands of people are left homeless.

