# **Great Fire of London**



## What you've learnt already

- What houses looked like in the past (EYFS)
- What transport was like in the past (Y1)
- Understanding words like 'past' and 'a long time ago'

## Choices

- Who do you think should have been blamed the most?
- Would you have helped put out the fire?
- Do you think that the Mayor acted quickly enough?
- How would you have rebuilt London after the fire?

## **Key Vocabulary**

Cathedral	Very large church	
Diary	Book where people write about events in their life	9.00 9.00 11.00 11.00 1.00 3.00 3.00
Evidence	Clues used to prove something happened	?
Pitch/tar	Thick black liquid that catches fire easily	
Squirts	Water carrier— push the handle to make water come out	
Thatch	Straw used to cover roofs	
Warehouse	Large storehouse	

### Timeline 9. The wind died down 4. The King was told of the 6. The fire got worse; 2. The fire spread quickly and and the fire fire and he ordered the 8. By night the many more buildings by 7 o'clock in the morning stopped Mayor to knock down any fire was close were destroyed more than 300 houses had spreading so houses to stop it spreading to the Tower including St. Paul's been destroyed quickly of London Cathedral. Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> - morning Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> - afternoon Tuesday 4th Wednesday 5th Thursday 6th Monday 3rd 7. They even tried 3. Some people tried 5. People realized they couldn't stay any 1. The fire started in a blowing up houses with longer and escaped on foot and on river to stop the fire 10. By evening all bakery in Pudding gunpowder to stop the barges. spreading the fires had been Lane owned by fire spreading even put out. Thomas Farriner. further

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## **Key Facts and Dates**

- The fire burned 13000 houses, nearly 90 churches and destroyed 80% of the city,
- Only 6 people are known to have been killed by the fire.
- The Thames was full of boats taking many people escaping the fire and their possessions.
- Many people thought the city was being attacked and armed themselves with weapons, others thought that the fire had been started on purpose and went looking for arsonists.

spark from his ovens started the Fire.

 Many people were made homeless and money was collected from all over the country to help them.

## Lesson Sequence

L1	Investigate how the Great Fire started
L2	Identify what happened in the Great Fire
L3	Explore why the Great Fire burnt down so many houses
L4	Investigate if more could have been done to slow down the Great Fire
L5	Understand the impact of the Great Fire
L6	Identify ways that London could have been rebuilt after the Great Fire

## Famous Figures

Duke of York	The brother of the King who helped give orders to stop the fire spreading
King Charles II	The King at the time.
Samuel Pepys	Famous man who kept a diary of everything that happened
Thomas Bludworth/Bloodworth	He was the mayor of London who did not take warnings about the fire seriously enough at the start.
Thomas	The baker who lived in Pudding lane. A

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Who owned the bakery where the fire started?		Which cathedral was destroyed?		Name one method of firefighting used in the Great Fire of London.	
Whose diary was found?		Name 2 materials that helped the fire spread quickly.		What % of London burned down?	
When did the Great Fire of London start and end?		What happened after the Great Fire of London?		Why did the fire spread?	
Describe the events of the Great Fire of London		Could more have been done to stop the Great Fire of London?		Why did people get weapons when the Great Fire of London happened?	
	One Point	Two Points	Three Points	Four Points	