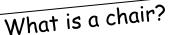


Year 6 Knowledge Organiser— Take a Seat

Key Questions





What is the historical background chairs padded seats, their purpose/significance?

What materials were used to make padded cushions and why?

Key Designers Robin Day

(1915 - 2010)



Key Facts

Robin Day, OBE, RDI, FCSD (25 May 1915 - 9 November 2010)[1] was one of the most significant British furniture designers of the 20th century, enjoying a long career spanning seven decades. An accomplished industrial and interior designer, he was also active in the fields of graphics and exhibitions.

His wife Lucienne Day was a renowned textile designer.

1951 was an annus mirabilis for Robin Day. His seating for the Royal Festival Hall and his high-profile contributions to the Festival of Britain, held on the neighbouring site on London's South Bank, greatly enhanced his professional reputation

His Single Convertible Bed Settee (1957), with its lightweight foam cushions and simple swing-down wooden seat back, characterised the elegant flexibility of his designs. Day was a great advocate of Pirelli rubber webbing, which he adopted as a replacement for traditional coil-sprung upholstery.

His Reclining Chair (1952),had a slim angular upholstered seat, floating wooden armrests and U-shaped steel rod legs.

Vocabulary

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Applique	Ornamental needlework in which pieces of fabric are sewn or stuck on to a larger piece to form a picture or pattern.
Cultural	Relating to the ideas, customs, and social behaviour of a society.
Upholstered	provide (furniture) with a soft, padded covering.
Graphics	Visual images produced by computer processing.
Quality Control	A system of maintain standards by testing a sample of the output against the specification.
Print	mark (a surface, typically a fabric or garment) with a coloured design or pattern.
Logo	a symbol or other small design adopted by an organization to identify its products, uniform, vehicles, etc.
Quarter scale	A pattern that is 1/4th the size of a full-sized pattern.
Wadding	Soft, thick material used to line garments or pack fragile items, especially cotton wool formed into a fleecy layer.
Embellishment	a decorative detail or feature added to something to make it more attractive.

Work Examples





Timeline

David Gottlieb

15th Dec 1900— unknown

Robin Day 1915 - 2010 Philip Treacey

26 May 1967 - present

Angela Hartnett
September 1968—present

Mars Curiosity Rover
Engineering Team
2004 -2011

George Rhoads 1926-present