

### What Should I already know?

People lived and events happened long before your grand-parents. This is called **beyond living memory**.

We live in a **country** named **England**. The capital of **England** is **London**.



### What happened in the Great Fire of London?

The **Great Fire of London** started in the year 1666. Nearly 400 years ago. There is no one alive today who remembers it.

It started in a bakery on **Pudding Lane** when a baker named **Thomas Farriner** left his oven on.

The Great Fire went on for **four days** and **six people died**.

A very famous building named **St Paul's Cathedral** burned down.



### Why did the fire spread?

Many buildings were made out of **wood and straw**.

Buildings in London were built **very close** together.

There were **strong winds** blowing between the houses.

It was a **very dry summer**.

People did not have good **equipment** to put out fires.

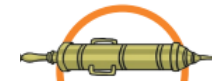
### What did people use to try and put out the fire?



leather water bucket



axe

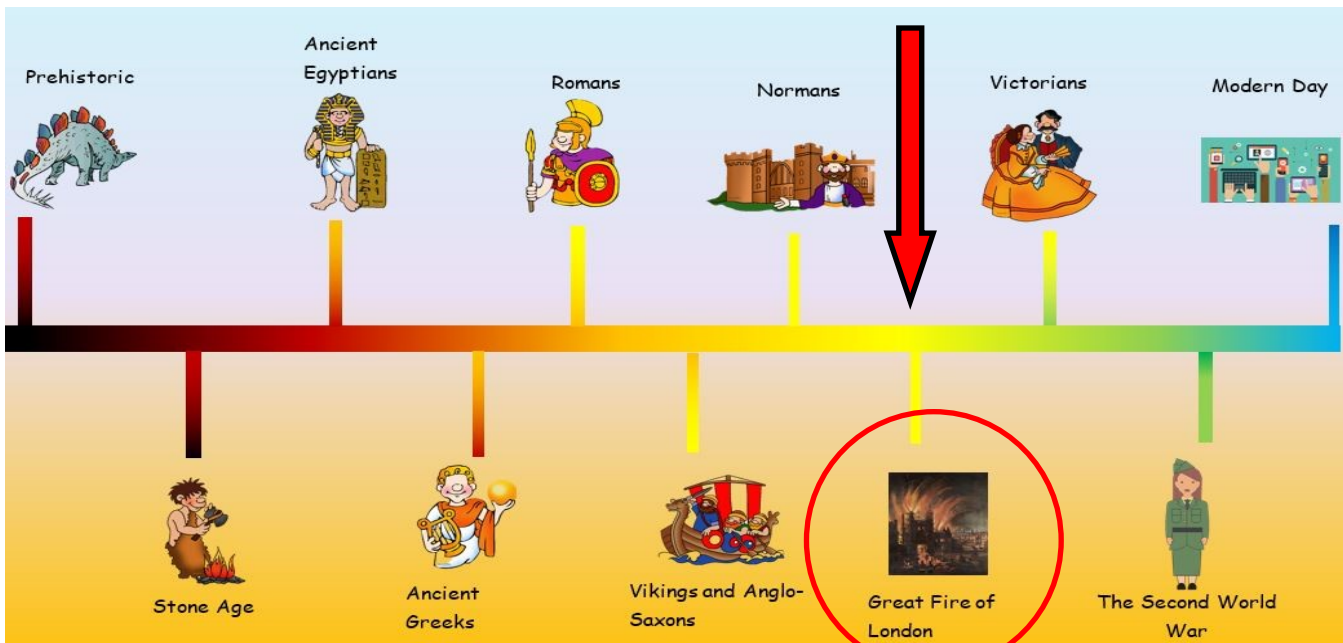


water squirt



fire hook

### Chronology



### How do we know what happened the Great Fire of London?

One of the main reasons we know about the Great Fire of London is that a man named **Samuel Pepys** wrote about it in his famous **diary**.



Question 1: What year did the Great Fire of London start?	Start of Unit	End of Unit

Question 2: Who wrote a famous diary about the Great Fire?	Start of Unit	End of Unit
Thomas Farriner		
Samuel Pepys		
King Charles		

Question 3: Tick all the items that people used to try and put out the fire with.	Start of Unit	End of Unit
Water Squirt		
Fire Engine		
Fire Hook		
Hoses		

Question 4: Explain how the Great Fire of London started.

Question 5: Write two reasons why the Great Fire of London spread so quickly.