

The Great Fire of London



Key Vocabulary:

Bakery - a shop where bread is made.

Flammable - Something that catches fire.

Ignite - the process in which something catches fire.

Leather Buckets - used to carry water to put out a fire.

London - the capital city of England.

Monument - a place where people remember.

River Thames - the river that flows through London

King Charles II - The King of England in 1666.

Samuel Pepys - Diarist at the time of the Great Fire of London.

First/ Next/Finally - adverbials to sequence events.

Pudding Lane - the place where the Great Fire of London started.

Smoke - carbon from something burning.

Water - used to put fires out.

Burning - when something is on fire.

Lord Mayor - the person in charge of London

September - the month of the year that the Great Fire of London started.

Thatch - straw used on roofs.

Firebreak - a gap that is created to stop the fire spreading.

Samuel Pepys



King Charles II



Great Fire of London Timeline

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 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.

