

Key Knowledge

Sunday 2nd September 1666	1am – The fire begins. 7am – The fire has spread rapidly. 11am – The Mayor orders the pulling down of houses, having been instructed by the King, who was informed by Samuel Pepys.
Monday 3rd September 1666	The government order fire posts to be set up Midday – The fire can be seen 60 miles away in Oxford. Half the city has been destroyed.
Tuesday 4th September 1666	The fire reaches its peak. A number of prisons and St Paul's Cathedral are destroyed. The fire narrowly misses the Tower of London. 11pm – The wind begins to die down
Wednesday 5th September 1666	The wind changes direction, blowing the fire towards the River Thames. Most of the remaining fires have been put out.
Thursday 6th September 1666	The final fires are extinguished.
Pudding Lane	Where Thomas Farriner's bakery was where a spark from his oven is thought to have started the fire.
Thomas Farriner	A baker in Pudding Lane in London.
Christopher Wren	An architect who rebuilt London after the fire.
Samuel Pepys	An navy administrator and Member of Parliament who is famous for the diary he kept for a decade
River Thames	Flows through London and acted as a natural barrier to the fire. Many people used it to escape to safety on boats.
London	Capital city of England, home of the King and where the Great Fire occurred in September 1666

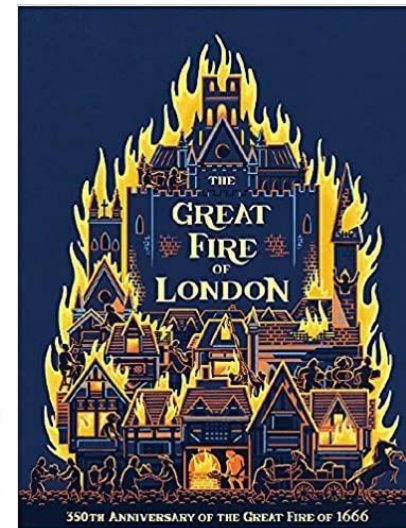


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Key Vocabulary

Bakery	A shop where cakes and bread are made.
flammable	Burns easily
timber	Wood
Fire hooks	Giant hooks used to pull houses down.
Fire break	Gaps created by destroying buildings so that the fire cannot spread
Eyewitness	A person who saw an event with their own eyes and can describe what happened
Cathedral	Largest, most important church in an area. Christian place of worship
Sources	A text, document, or image that we can gain information from
Lord Mayor	The mayor of a big city (London in this case)
Monument	Statue, building or other structure built to remember a person or event



Key Concept Questions

- What were the causes of The Great Fire of London?
- Why did it take such a long time to out the fire out?
- How did house building change as a result of the fire?
- How can we find out about The Great Fire of London?
- Why is Samuel Pepys diary important?