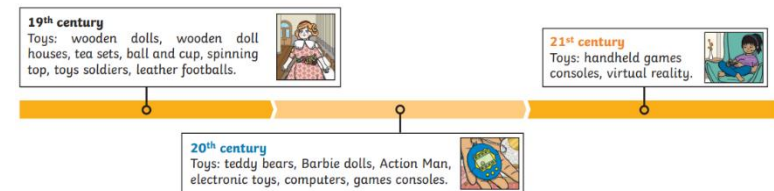


Key Knowledge
Toys in the past were made from different materials like wood. Toys have existed for thousands of years. They were made out of the materials that were available at the time. Even stones and string have been made into toys.
Modern toys are mainly made of plastic. This is because it is usually safer and easier to make things with. Many modern toys use electricity to work. Computers and consoles were invented in the 20th century.
Rich Victorian children played with toys such as clockwork trains, rocking horses, tea sets and dolls. Poorer children played with homemade toys such as peg dolls, wooden boats and rags stuffed with sawdust to make balls or toy animals
We can find out about the past by looking at and reading non-fiction books, searching the internet, talking to people who were around at the time that we want to find out about, watching video clips or TV shows about the time in history we want to find out about, visiting museums, looking at photographs and looking at objects from the past.
An inventor is a person who makes new inventions, devices that perform some kind of function. The devices are mostly electrical or mechanical.
In 1876, during the Victorian era, the telephone was invented by Alexander Graham Bell. Ada Lovelace was born in 1815. In 1843, Ada wrote the first step-by-step set of instructions for this machine: The Analytical Engine. This is said to be the first ever computer program.
The UK is made up of four different countries (England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland). The UK is in the continent of Europe, on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean. London is the capital city of England.
Queen Victoria reigned for 63 years. This time was called the Victorian period. She supported charities, new technologies and inventions and increased the size and power of the British Empire. She was married to Prince Albert and had nine children. Cars and trains were invented during this time.
In the United Kingdom, the tradition is that the eldest son of the king and queen becomes the next king (unless there are no sons and then the eldest daughter becomes queen).
Victoria became Queen at the age of 18 on June 20th 1837. The Victorian era is known as a time of change and invention for the lives of British people, and a lot of this was due to Queen Victoria's influence on the country. In 1870, Queen Victoria passed a law which made it compulsory for British children aged 5-10, rich and poor, to attend school.
For the last 40 years of her reign, she wore black to mourn her husband Prince Albert.
Elizabeth II became Queen of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in 1952.
Queen Victoria is Queen Elizabeth II's great-great-grandmother on her father's side. Britain's two longest reigning monarchs are Queen Elizabeth II and Queen Victoria.
Royal residences include palaces, castles and stately homes. Some of them are used for official royal business and some are used as holiday or private homes. The monarchy lives in a main house in London called Buckingham Palace. Buckingham Palace has 775 rooms. 240 of these are bedrooms and 78 are bathrooms!
A castle is a large strong building, built in the past by a ruler or important person to protect the people inside from attack. They were both a home and a fortress. They were built to provide safety and protection from attack and to display the owner's rank and wealth. The castles allowed the monarchs to control the surrounding area and intimidate the people living there in to obeying them. They were also used to store riches and keep families safe from rivals while the monarch was away at war.
Some famous castles in the UK are: Windsor Castle, Bodiam Castle, Warwick Castle and Tower of London. Oxford Castle is a large partly ruined medieval castle.



Key Vocabulary	
generation	group of people: children, parents, grandparents, etc.
chronology	the order of events in time
approximately	About; almost exactly
era	A period of time in history
Victorian	The time of Queen Victoria's reign. 1837-1901.
modern	Things made now or recently.
20 th century	The 20th century was 1900-1999.
21 st century	We are in the 21st century. It started in the year 2000 and will end in 2099.
past	Objects and things that happened before now.
invention	Something that has never been made before.
reign	The time that someone is king or queen for.
monarch	A monarch is a king or queen, an emperor or a sultan.
palace	A very large house that is home to the King or Queen.
artefact	An object to help you learn about the past.
kingdom	A kingdom means a country ruled by a king or queen.

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History and Geography Skills
Answer questions using artefacts, photographs and other historical resources. Discuss the reliability of them.
Use a source-observe or handle sources to answer questions about the past on the basis of simple observations.
Use vocabulary to describe the past. Share their opinion and their opinion of others.
Give an opinion based on evidence they have looked at. Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result.
Describe some of the many changes over time that have happened since they were born.
Give examples of things that were different when my grandparents were children.
Name and locate countries, capitals and seas of UK. Name and locate the seven continents and five oceans.
Study pictures/videos of a locality and ask geographical questions e.g. What is it like to live in this place? How is this place different to where I live?
Study pictures of the localities in the past and in the present and ask 'How has it changed?'

Key Concept Questions
How have toys changed through time?
How are Victorian toys different to modern toys?
How can we find out what toys were like in the past?
What are the similarities between old and new toys?
What do you think toys in the future will be like?
What makes an invention great?
What does a monarch do? What do the royal objects represent?
How did Britain change during Queen Victoria's reign?
What are the differences between Elizabeth II and Queen Victoria?
What are castles and why were they built?