

Stone Age	Ancient Egyptians	Bronze Age	Iron Age	Ancient Greeks	Mayan Civilisation	43AD—410AD Romans	410AD—1066 Anglo Saxons	1066 Battle of Hastings	1100 Iroquois Tribes	1666 Great Fire	1700 Coal Mining	1760 Captain Cook	1837-1901 Victorian	1914-1918 WW1	1939-45 WWII
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History : YEAR TWO Autumn 2

What happened in 1666?

SECTION 1 KEY VOCABULARY	
diary	A book that people write about their lives in.
firebreak	A gap that stops a fire spreading to nearby buildings.
St. Paul's Cathedral	A very large church in London. A new St Paul's Cathedral was built after the fire.
Timeline	A timeline displays people, objects or events in time (chronological) order.
Decade, century, year.	A decade is 10 years. There are 100 years in a century. There are 365 days in a year and a leap year is 366.
Significant event	Significant events affect the lives of many people over a long period of time and are sometimes commemorated.
Artefacts	Artefacts are objects and things made by people rather than natural objects. They provide evidence about the past. Examples include coins, buildings, written texts or ruins.

When and where did the fire start? Why did the fire start?

The fire started on Sunday 2nd September 1666 in Thomas Farriner's bakery on Pudding Lane, London.

The fires used for baking were not put out properly which is why the fire started.

Why did the fire spread so quickly?

In 1666, the buildings in London were made out of wood and straw and they were very close together, making it easy for the flames to spread. It has also been a dry summer, so the buildings were dry. Strong winds were blowing, which helped the flames to spread.

How did people try to put the fire out? How and when was the fire put out?

People used leather buckets and water squirts to try to put the fire out, but these did not work. Later in the week, King Charles II ordered buildings to be pulled down to stop them from spreading. This created a firebreak. By Thursday 6th September, the wind had died down. This meant that people were able to put out the flames.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS

