

# Key threads

Chronology	Continuity and change in and between periods	Cause and consequence	Similarity / Difference within a period/situation (diversity)	Significance of events / people	Perspectives and interpretations
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## Whole-school definition of History

History is the study of the past, in particular the changes over time that have occurred within human society.

Toys have changed over time. There are many differences between toys from the past and present. Victorian toys were usually made from wood, metal, paper or china and they were mostly hand made. Modern toys are usually made from plastic, nylon or foam and are mostly produced in factories. Toys from the past were often unsafe as some were made with sharp edges and from unsafe materials. Now there are strict rules in place to make sure toys are very safe to play with.

## Changings in living – Homes and Toys

### Prior Knowledge (what we already know)

Know about events from the past

Know personal family history

### New Knowledge (what we are going to learn)

- Identify how things have changed and what has stayed the same.
- Know and describe changes in toys from the past were primarily made from wood and toys in the present are primarily made from plastic.
- Know the similarities and differences between past and present fire equipment

### New vocabulary

Change – make something different

Toys – objects that we play with.

Chronological - Putting things in time order

Past – gone by in time and no longer existing.

Present – happening now.

Significance - having meaning; meaningful.

Compare - to note or describe the similarities or differences of.

Home – where a person lives.

Families - a group of two or more persons related by birth, marriage, or adoption who live together

Traditional - the handing down of information, beliefs, or customs from one generation to another.

Modern - Something, which is new. Modern toys have changed rapidly, as different materials and technologies have been used.



### Top 10 Toys Facts!

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| 1. Before electric toys were invented, many toys had levers, hinges and wheels, so that the user could move them.        | 6. Toys can be very big or very small – from tiny finger puppets to huge dollhouses!   |
| 2. The word 'toy' comes from the Old English word meaning 'tool'.  | 7. Even a piece of string can be used as a toy! When both ends are tied together, people have used it over the years to play Cat's Cradle. |
| 3. You can often tell when a toy is from by the material that it is made from.   | 8. Sometimes toys go through a 'craze' period when they are popular – like the hula hoop in the 1950s or rollerblades in the 1990s.        |
| 4. Toys changed a lot after TV was invented: many were based on TV shows that children watch – this still happens today! | 9. The first ever video arcade game was called 'Pong' and was made by Atari in 1972.   |
| 5. Rubik's Cubes are a popular puzzle toy – more than 350 million have been sold!  | 10. It takes 63 feet of wire to make a slinky toy.   |