

# How do we know so much about what happened in the Great Fire of London?

**Key objective-** Use a range of primary and secondary sources to describe and explain the causes and effects of the fire in 1666.

## Key Vocabulary I will learn:

### Important subject vocabulary I will learn

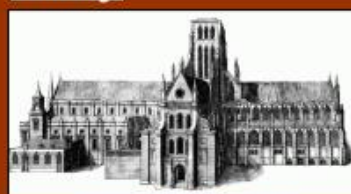
Extinguish	put out a fire or light
Firebreak	a gap of cleared ground to prevent the spread of a fire
Sporadic	something that occurs only occasionally
Reconstruct	to rebuild or make again
Compensation	money paid to someone for things that has been lost or damaged
Lamentable	something very unfortunate or distressing
Hovel	a small building such as a hut with no running water or sanitation
Inflammable	something that can be set on fire easily
Debris	the scattered pieces that remain after something has been destroyed

### Important places I will visit



London 1666

### Important London landmarks that will change



St Paul's Cathedral

### Important people whose actions I will consider



Samuel Pepys



King Charles II



Sir Christopher Wren

### Important historical sources I will use



Etchings



Engravings



Diaries



Modern graphic novels



Paintings

### Great Fire of London Timeline

#### September 2nd 1666

1 am: Fire breaks out in Pudding Lane

7 am: Over 300 houses already destroyed.

10 am: Samuel Pepys tells King Charles II how serious the situation is.

#### September 3rd 1666

11 am: Thousands of refugees begin leaving the city.

9 pm: Houses are pulled down to stop the fire reaching the Tower of London.

#### September 4th 1666

6 am: Houses at Cripplegate are blown up to create a fire break.

2 pm: Ludgate and Newgate prisons catch fire.

8 pm: St Paul's Cathedral is gutted.

#### September 5th 1666

Midday: The fire begins to die out.

3 pm: Thousands of refugees have gathered on open fields at Moorfields.

#### September 6th 1666

8 am: King Charles II announces that the fire is extinguished.

#### September 11th 1666

11 am: Christopher Wren presents his first plans for the regeneration of the city.