Year 4

History

Children in the past

Knowledge Organiser

Historical summary

In Tudor times, childhood was often unpleasant and short-lived. It was commonly believed that physical punishment was an important part of bringing up children, both at home and at school.

Many Victorian children were poor and worked to help their families. This was not unusual during these times and not seen at all as cruel. You had to work to receive money and people thought work was good for children. The industrial revolution created new jobs, in factories and mines. Children were massively affected by World War Two. Nearly two million children were evacuated from their homes at the start of World War Two; children had to endure rationing, gas mask lessons, living with strangers etc.

Key facts	Key people
WW2—1 September 1939 – 2 September 1945	King henry VIII—Henry VIII was King
Tudor period—1485 and 1603 in England and Wales	of England from 22 April 1509 until his death in 1547. Henry is best
Victorian period—63-year period from 1837-1901 during the reign of Queen Victoria.	known for his six marriages
Many evacuees from inner-city areas had never seen farm animals before or eaten vegetables.	Queen Victoria — Victoria was Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland from 20
A reliable source is one that provides a thorough, well-reasoned theory, argument, discussion, etc. based on strong evidence.	June 1837 until her death in 1901. Known as the Victorian era.

Important questions

What was it like to be a child during WW2?

What was is like to be a child during Victorian times?

What was it like to be a child during the Tudor times?

When was the worst time to be a child?

Vocabulary		
Primary source	First hand information	
Secondary source	Information created later on	
Fact	a thing that is known or proved to be true	
Fiction	something that is invented or untrue	
Valid	Comes from a relevant source , trustworthy	
Reliable	consistently good in quality or performance; able to be trusted	
Travel	go from one place to another	
Evacuee	a person evacuated from a place of danger	
Tudor	The time period between Henry VII's reign in 1485 until the death of Elizabeth I in 1603.	
Overcrowded	filled beyond what is comfortable	
Punishments	a penalty inflicted for an offence	
Steam engine	an engine driven or worked by steam	
Crime	an action which is punishable by law	
Smoky	filled with or smelling of smoke	
Cramped	uncomfortably small or restricted	
Unhygienic	not clean or sanitary	
Strict	demanding that rules concerning behaviour are obeyed	
Punitive	inflicting or intended as punishment	
Works houses	a public place to live in return for work	

What I should know by the end of this unit.

Recognise primary and secondary sources.

Summarise the validity of a source.

Compare different eras and their lifestyles.

Empathise with children from a particular era and make clear comparisons between them and now.