

Ellie's History Journal: The Great Fire of London

Learning objective: To write a recount of the Great Fire of London using historical facts and clear structure.

Use these prompts to help you write your story. Look at the word bank for help. Use the sentence starters to begin your writing.

In September 1666, the city of London changed forever when a fire started in a small shop.

Word bank: Pudding Lane · bakery · hot · windy · spread · wood · buckets · river · afterwards · firstly · next · finally

1. Where and how did the fire start? Start your sentence with: Firstly, the fire began in a... (2 marks)

2. Why did the fire grow so fast? Start your sentence with: The fire grew quickly because the houses were made of... (2 marks)

3. What did people do to stop the fire? Start your sentence with: People tried to put out the fire by using... (2 marks)

4. What happened to London after the fire? Start your sentence with: Finally, the city had to be... (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Draw a picture of what a London street looked like in 1666, then write one sentence to describe it.