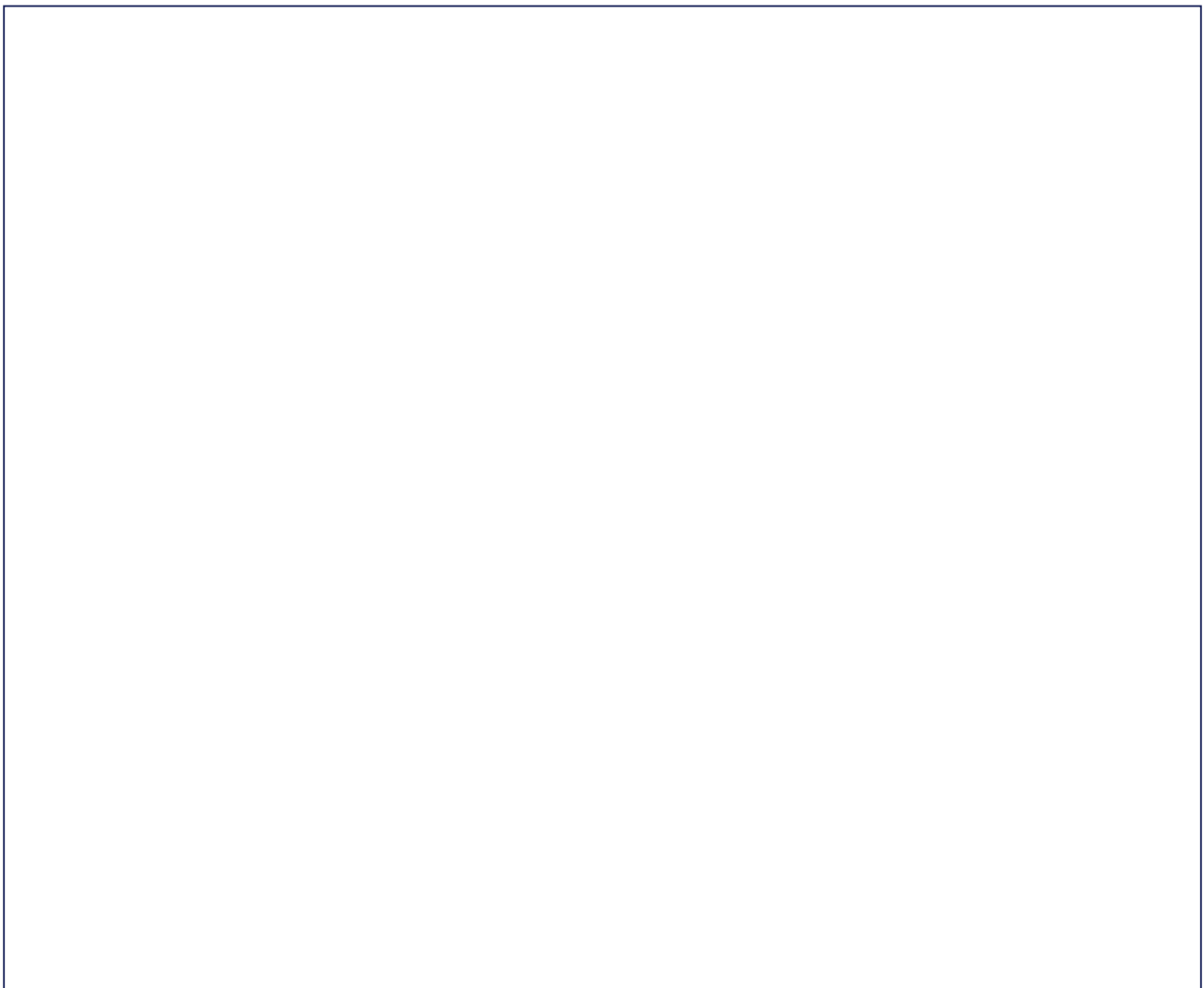


History Drawing: The Great Fire of London

Learning objective: To identify and illustrate key features of London in 1666, including wooden houses and the River Thames.

Follow the drawing steps below to create a scene from 1666. Use the word bank to add labels to your picture once you have finished drawing.

Draw: Create a landscape scene of London in 1666. Draw a row of tall, narrow timber-framed houses very close together. Add a wide river (the River Thames) at the bottom of the page. Use bright colours like orange, red, and yellow to show the fire spreading from one house to another. Add dark grey or black smoke rising into the sky above the rooftops.



Label words: wooden houses · River Thames · flames · London Bridge · smoke

Steps:

1. Step 1: Draw narrow wooden houses with thatched roofs lining a street. Why were these houses dangerous during the fire?
2. Step 2: Draw the River Thames flowing nearby. Why did many people move their belongings to the river?
3. Step 3: Draw orange and red flames coming from one of the houses. What did people use to try and put out the fire?

4. Step 4: Draw a label pointing to the wooden houses. What material were the walls made of?
5. Step 5: Ellie the Elephant says that people were very scared. Draw a person in your scene and show how they might be feeling.