The Great Fire of London Flashcards

Learning objective: To recall key facts about the Great Fire of London and understand why it happened in 1666.

Read the front of the card and try to remember the answer. Flip the card over (or look at the text after the line) to check if you are right! Join Ellie the elephant as she explores this important event in history.

In what year did the Great Fire of London begin?	**Where did the Great Fire of London start?**
1666	A bakery on Pudding Lane
What were most houses in London made of in 1666?	**Why did the fire spread so quickly between the houses?**
Wood (timber) and straw	The houses were built very close together
Who wrote a famous diary about the fire?	**What river did many people go to for safety?**
Samuel Pepys	The River Thames
What did people use to try and put out the fire?	**Did the fire last for one day or several days?**
Leather buckets and water squirts	Several days (it lasted from Sunday to Thursday)
What was the weather like when the fire started?	**What did they use to rebuild London after the fire?**
It was very dry and windy	Brick and stone, which were safer than wood