

History Knowledge Organiser

Does slavery still exist?

Empire

- The British Empire is a term used to describe all the places around the world that were once ruled by Britain. Built over many years, it grew to include large areas of North America, Australia, New Zealand, Asia and Africa, as well as small parts of Central and South America, too.
- It began in the 16th Century and spanned over 400 years (1497 – 1997).
- By 1901, the British Empire was the largest the world had ever seen.
- During Queen Victoria's 63-year reign, there were major changes to almost all aspects of life in Britain due to exciting discoveries and innovations.



Queen Victoria (1819-1901)

- 1837** – Victoria became Queen of Britain.
- 1858** – India came under direct British government control.
- 1877** – Queen Victoria was named Empress of India.
- 1901** – Victoria died and was succeeded by Edward VII.



Community

The Industrial Revolution - a period of tremendous change in Britain: 1750 until around 1900.

- During the Industrial Revolution, huge factories were built and towns were expanded.
- People would **migrate** from the countryside to the towns attracted by reliable work and pay from the factories.
- At the beginning of Queen Victoria's reign, children from poor families were put to work. They did various jobs; many were unsafe, poorly paid and damaging to their health.
- Lord Shaftesbury, Dr Barnardo and Charles Dickens wanted to help children.
- Laws were put into place during the Victorian Era to protect children and ensure that they received an education.

Concepts

Empire Invasion
Achievements Community
Values
Perseverance Aspiration

Achievement

Local History Study: Derby's impact on the Railway Industry

- 1803** – The first successful steam locomotive runs on wheels.
- 1812** – The first successful steam-powered commercial locomotive – The Salamanca – is built.
- 1825** – The first passenger-carrying railway line is built by George Stephenson.
- 1839** – Railways commence operating and carriage building starts in Derby.
- 1844** – Derby becomes the headquarters of the Midland Railway.
- 1849** – The Midland Railway reaches Matlock.
- 1st October 1867** – Wirksworth Railway Station is opened by the Midland Railway.
- 17th November 1877** – A tunnel linking Dale Quarry and the Station Yard is opened.

Key Vocabulary

Reign	Hold royal office: rule as monarch
Slavery	A condition of having to work very hard without payment or appreciation
Labour	Work
Invention	The action of inventing something
Industry	Economic activity concerned with the processing of raw materials and manufacture of goods in factories.
Abolish	Put an end to
Trade	Buying and selling goods and services
Transport	Take or carry good from one place to another.
Locomotive	A powered railway vehicle used for pulling trains.
Workhouse	Huge buildings built for very poor people to live and work.
Empire	An empire is a group of lands controlled by a single person, country or government. The ruler of an empire is called an emperor or monarch.
Invasion	An invasion is an occasion when an army or country uses force to enter and take control of another country.