History Knowledge Organiser

Postcards from the Seaside

Our learning

In our history lessons this term we will learn about what life was like in the Victorian era in Britain. We will look at how railways expanded during the industrial revolution and caused many places to grow.

We will learn how the Victorian era is connected to the industrial revolution.

During our work we will **compare** how life was different in the Victorian period to other times in history.

We will find out how and why places such as Eastbourne and Bexhill became popular at this time.

Information

The Victorian era lasted from 1837 until 1901. Queen Victoria reigned for 64 years.

The Victorian period came after many changes had taken place in England due to the industrial revolution. The way things were made had changed and many people now worked in towns and cities. Railways expanded in the Victorian era, so people could travel more quickly and easily. Many people who worked in towns and cities wanted to take holidays by the seaside and were able to travel there by train.

Seaside resorts grew as more people visited and piers were built so that people could walk out to sea and breathe in the air. Other activities included Donkey rides, eating ice cream and Punch and Judy shows.

Vocabulary

Era— a long and distinct period of history

Industrial revolution— a period of major changes in the way products are made.

Resort— a place that is visited for holidays or recreation.

Seaside— a place by the sea, especially a beach area or holiday resort.

Victorian— relating to the reign of Queen Victoria.

Pier— a platform going from the shore to the sea



Queen Victoria

Important Dates

1837— Victoria became Queen of England at the age of 18.

1840—Victoria married Prince Albert.

1849— The railway reaches Eastbourne. Trains reached Bexhill near the end of the Victorian era.

1901— Queen Victoria dies marking the end of the Victorian era.

Railways meant that people could reach the seaside easily.



Anglo-Saxons

Ancient Egyptian

Ancient Greeks