

# The Great Fire of London

## Great Fire of London Timeline

**Monday 3rd September 1666**

The fire gets very close to the Tower of London.

**Tuesday 4th September 1666**

**St Paul's Cathedral** is destroyed by the fire.

Timeline of Events

**Sunday 2nd September 1666**

The fire starts at 1 a.m.

Mid-morning: Samuel Pepys starts to write about the fire in his **diary**.

**Wednesday 5th September 1666**

The wind dies down and the fire spreads more slowly.

**Thursday 6th September 1666**

The fire is finally put out.

Thousands of people are left homeless.

**ENQUIRY QUESTION : WAS LONDON BETTER BEFORE OR AFTER THE FIRE ?**

### Step 1

What was London like before the Fire?

### Step 2

What happened in the Great Fire of London?

### Step 3

Why did the fire spread so quickly?

### Step 4

What happened to the people of London during and after the fire?

### Step 5

How we know about the Great Fire of London?

### Step 6

What was London like after the fire?

### National Curriculum Link:

Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally.