

# The Knowledge

Supporting the National Curriculum



Ardleigh Green Learning Federation

## Street Detectives



## Year 1

Working Together, Learning Together, Growing Together

Knowing More

Remembering More

Learning More

## Key People



- Queen Victoria was born on 24th May 1819
- Queen Victoria was the Queen of the United Kingdom from 20th June 1837—22nd January 1901.



- Karl Benz built the first ever motor car and this began being used by rich people

## Key Dates

- Queen Victoria was born **1819**
- Victorians invented big panes of glass called sheet glass **1832**
- Queen Victoria became the Queen of the UK and Ireland **1837**
- Education became compulsory for all children under 10 **1880**
- The first motor car was built **1885**
- Queen Victoria died **1901**

## Key Facts

- There was no electricity in the Victorian times
- Toilets were only outside of the house
- There was no bathroom in a house, children would bath once a week in a tin bath that was placed by the fire to keep them warm
- Most people lived in terraced houses
- Houses did not have garages because cars were not invented until towards the end of the Victorian times
- Most people walked or used horses to get around so all of the roads were narrow
- Windows were called sash windows which meant you opened and closed them by sliding them up or down. They did not open like our windows
- Often, many children would share a bed and top and tail
- There are many different types of houses now: semi detached, detached, bungalow, terraced and flats
- Old houses had chimneys to let the smoke from the fireplace out, modern houses often do not have chimneys because they have radiators

## Key Vocabulary

1. **Range** : a big oven where all the cooking was done and the water would be warmed on top of the gas.
2. **Washboard and carbolic soap**: The soap was rubbed on to the clothes and then the clothes were rubbed up and down a washboard to clean
3. **Mangle**: the machine used to wring out the water from freshly washed clothes
4. **Carpet beater** : people would hang the rugs on the line and hit it with a carpet beater to get the dust out
5. **Terraced**: a row of houses all joined together
6. **Semi Detached**: two houses joined together with space to walk down one side
7. **Detached**: a house on it's own with no other houses touching it
8. **Bungalow**: like a house but without stairs, all the rooms are on one level

## Test Yourself

- What types of houses did most people live in during the Victorian times?
- Why were the roads narrow?
- What was the name of the windows in Victorian houses?
- Why did Victorian houses need chimneys?
- How often did children bath each week?
- Where were the toilets in the Victorian houses?
- Why weren't there any garages in the Victorian times?
- What is the name of a house which stands alone?
- What is the difference between a bungalow and a house?
- What materials are houses made from?

## Texts to Read

