

How many people were made homeless by the fire?  
Circle the correct answer.



# War, Plague & Fire

## Family activity sheet

This activity sheet will take you around the gallery highlighting some of the objects and events that took place in London during one of the most turbulent times in the city's history.

### What was London like?

Find the painting 'London from Southwark'. It is in the right-hand corner as you enter the gallery. Look at the painting and write which of the statements below are true or false.

- Most houses are made of wood \_\_\_\_\_
- No boats were allowed on the Thames \_\_\_\_\_
- There are houses on London Bridge \_\_\_\_\_
- London was bigger than it is today \_\_\_\_\_

### London life

Below is a list of things that belonged to a family in London 300 years ago. Find them in the room set and then in the wordsearch below. Words are written horizontally or vertically.

**FRYING PAN PLATE TABLE CANDLESTICK**  
**JUG ROCKING HORSE VIRGINAL** (a type of piano)

W	L	A	R	I	U	R	L	T	Y	T
N	A	C	F	A	B	O	A	I	R	M
D	N	U	R	S	R	C	Y	P	S	J
G	S	K	Y	U	O	K	L	L	P	H
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M	R	I	G	J	U	G	I	E	J	A
V	J	L	P	V	B	H	L	P	R	O
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U	S	T	N	B	U	R	M	K	Y	M
C	A	N	D	L	E	S	T	I	C	K
F	U	T	A	B	L	E	V	M	O	P



100



10,000



100,000

The four people below are all mentioned in the gallery. Can you remember what they are famous for? Match the names of the men with a fact about them.

He wrote about the fire in his diary

Thomas Farriner

He designed the new St Paul's Cathedral

Samuel Pepys

He was king at the time of the fire

Sir Christopher Wren

The fire started in his bakery

King Charles II

## The plague

This terrible illness hit London in 1665.

Some people carried a ball containing sweet smelling flowers and herbs to protect themselves against the disease. Rearrange the letters below to spell the name of this ball.

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**M O D R P A E N**

## Great Fire of London

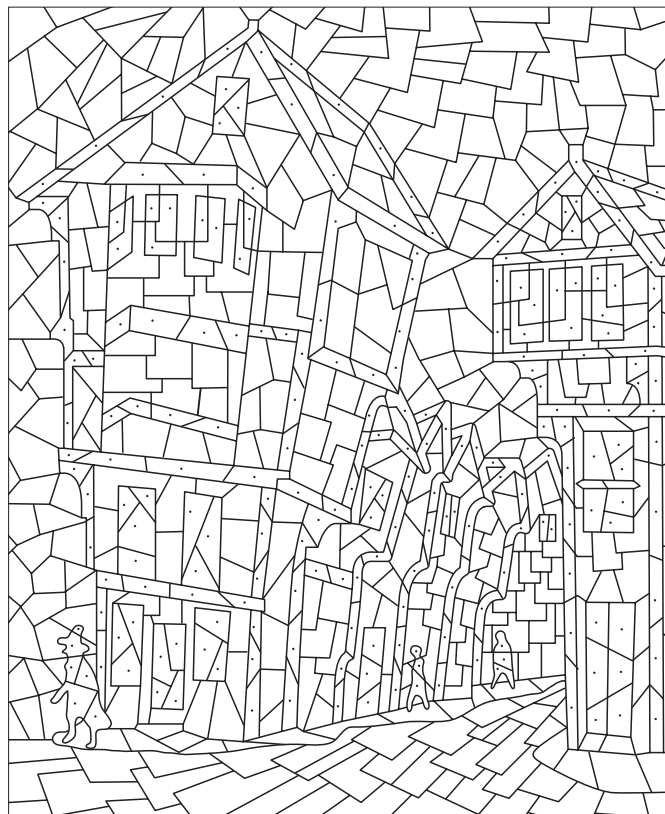
The Great Fire took place before electricity was discovered, so fire was used for lots of things. Which of these things was fire used for? You can find clues in the gallery.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> heating | <input type="checkbox"/> writing | <input type="checkbox"/> travelling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> cooking | <input type="checkbox"/> light   | <input type="checkbox"/> exercising |

Before the fire, what were houses in London generally made of?

\_\_\_\_\_

Colour in all the shaped below that have a dot in them. What do you see?



Look at one of the paintings showing the fire. Circle the words that you think describe it.

<b>quiet</b>	<b>blazing</b>	<b>chaotic</b>
<b>peaceful</b>	<b>roaring</b>	<b>smokey</b>

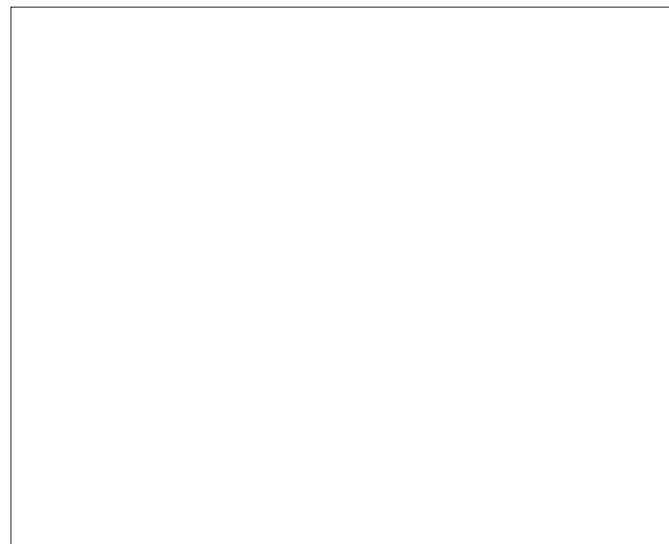
Now circle how the people in the painting must have felt.

<b>frightened</b>	<b>sleepy</b>	<b>worried</b>
<b>calm</b>	<b>scared</b>	<b>happy</b>

Firefighting was different at the time of the Great Fire. Feel the bucket used to carry water and try on the helmet worn to protect the firefighters. What are they made of?

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Draw either of them below



During the fire many Londoners fled to the fields surrounding the City. How do you think they felt? Write what you think they are saying in the speech bubbles.

