



HISTORY MILESTONES

Historical interpretations

EYFS	Milestone 1	Milestone 2	Milestone 3
Understanding the World (Past and Present) Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society. Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.	National Curriculum Children should understand some of the ways in which we find out about the past and identify different ways in which it is represented.	National Curriculum Children should understand how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources.	National Curriculum Children should understand how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources
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VOCABULARY			
Old, new, same, different, I think, because	old, new, same, different, I think, because, clues, detective, now, then, past Memories, artefacts, people, recount, source, museum What? When? Where?	artefacts, people, recount, source, museum, point of view, beliefs, compare	archaeology, archaeologist, evidence explorers, diaries, reliability, fact, fiction, evidence, persuade



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VOCABULARY			
Finding out, people, lives, change	Finding out, people, lives, change, living memory, toys, materials, photograph, similar, different, artefact, recount, clues, historians, research, websites, fact, opinion	Primary/secondary source, evidence, discover, analyse, investigate, cause, consequence, significant	Primary/secondary source, evidence, discover, analyse, investigate, cause, consequence, significant, infer, interpretation, impact, interpretation, impact, hypothesis



Chronological knowledge and understanding

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VOCABULARY			
Today, tomorrow, yesterday, before, after, past, now, order, day, week, month,	Past, long ago, present, future, timeline, event, date, order, chronological order	Chronological order, sequence, century, centenary	Chronological order, sequence, century, centenary, millennium



Knowledge and understanding of Events, People and Changes in the Past

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VOCABULARY			
History, change, same, different	Exploration, Monarchy, ruler, reign	Invade, peace, settle, war, Era-AD, BC, CE, BCE, decade, Empire, monarchy, enemies,	Cultural, religious, social, economic, political, ancestor, legacy, citizen, interpretation, Government, propaganda, press religious, industrial, continuity, immigration,



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VOCABULARY			
	Monarch, parliament, government, London, gunpowder plot, Guy Fawkes, religion, treason Samuel Pepy's diary Cathedral, 17 th Century, ruler Monarchy, king, queen, reign	ruled, reigned, empire, invasion, conquer, kingdoms, Stone Age, agriculture, hunter-gatherer, migration, settlement, tribe ancient, civilisation hieroglyphics, the Nile, pharaoh, tomb, enslavement Invaders, settlers, conquest, empire, trade, archaeology, Pagan, pillaged, raid, exile, outlawed.	Ancestor, citizen, cultural, social, trade, ancient, civilisation, democracy, legacy, myth Nation, occupation, peace, power, propaganda, society, war, battle, conflict, invasion, allies, evacuation, persecution, rationing Maya, Civilisation, codices, drought, jaguar, maize, scribes