

Blue Coat History Knowledge Organiser



Year Group: 3

Themes: Society, Culture and Pastimes

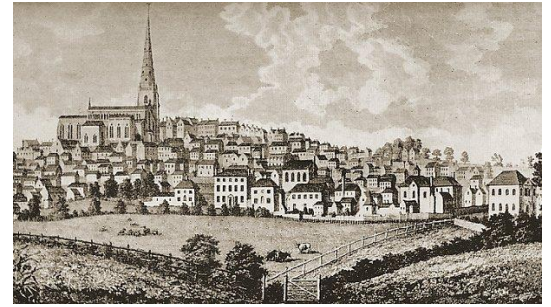
Period of History: The Victorians (1837-1901)

Strand: a local history study

Key Vocabulary

Spelling	Definition
discoveries	Finding out or learning something, for the first time.
Industrial Revolution	A period where machines began to be used more in factories and more goods were made as a result.
poverty	People living in poverty do not have enough money to feed and clothe themselves.
Factory Acts	Laws passed by the government to protect people working in dangerous factories.
mines	Underground areas where people worked digging out coal and other minerals.
invention	The act of making something new that hasn't been done before.
education	A process of gaining knowledge and understanding through learning.
slum	Poor run down area of a city.
workhouse	A building for which very poor people were sent and made to work in return for food and shelter.
Black Country	The Black Country, is made up of 4 towns - Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton. The name is thought to refer to the colour of the coal seam or the air pollution from the thousands of foundries and factories.




Where



Walsall start of 1800s



Black Country Industrial Revolution

Focus	Images	Key Information
Industrial Revolution		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The invention of machines that could make things much more quickly started the Industrial Revolution. Britain became known as 'the workshop of the world.' The Victorians completely changed the way towns and cities looked. Lots of people left the countryside to find work. The Victorians built factories, houses, schools, hospitals, libraries, theatres, bridges, stations and shops.
Children		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the start of Victoria's reign, only wealthy children went to school because you had to pay for it. Poorer children were sent out to work and never learnt to read and write. They had to work long hours in very dangerous places like factories, mills and mines where they were often beaten, badly injured or even killed.
Standard of living		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As change happened so quickly, lots of poor families would have to share a small house. This led to overcrowded and filthy areas called slums. Diseases would often breakout. Workhouses were formed for the very poor. There was a huge difference between the lives of the rich and poor.

Key Dates

1837	1840	1844	1847	1867	1880	1891	1901
Victoria ascends to the throne	First Ragged Schools set up	Factory Act states children can start work from 8, but had to have 2 hours of schooling	Factory Act states women and children under 18 could only work 10 hours a day	All factory workers limited to 10 hours work a day	Children (5-13) required to go to school but had to pay	Education made free and compulsory for all children (5-13)	Queen Victoria dies