

Year 1– Knowledge Mat– *History—Toys T4*

Subject Specific Vocabulary

word	definition
Victorian	The time of Queen Victoria's reign. 1837-1901
20th Century	1900-1999
21st Century	We are in the 21st century. It started in the year 2000
Living memory	Something that is remembered by people who are still alive
Beyond living memory	Something that is beyond the memory of people alive now

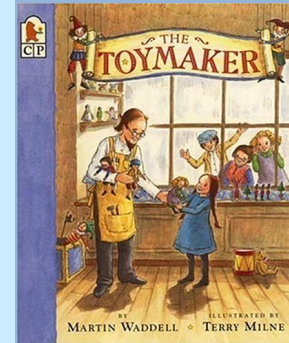
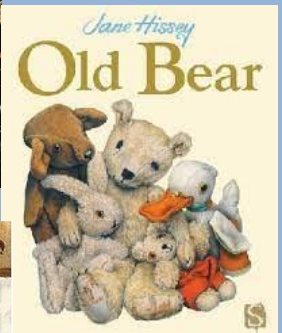
Sticky Knowledge

Toys have existed for thousands of years. They were made of materials that were available at the time. Even stones and string have been made into toys.

In the Victorian times, toys were mainly made from wood, paper and metal. Rich children played with clockwork trains, rocking horses and dolls. Poorer children had handmade toys like wooden boats, peg dolls and rag toys.

Today, toys are mainly made of plastic. This is usually because it is safer and easier. Modern toys often use electricity, like computers and consoles.

Interesting Books



19th century

Toys: wooden dolls, wooden doll houses, tea sets, ball and cup, spinning top, toys soldiers, leather footballs.



21st century

Toys: handheld games consoles, virtual reality.



20th century

Toys: teddy bears, Barbie dolls, Action Man, electronic toys, computers, games consoles.



Research at home

Have a look at some of your favourite toys.

How old do you think they are?

Who do you think invented them?

