

Our History • Toys Through Time

Key Learning Question: How are toys in the present different from toys in the past?



Crucial Knowledge

- Children have always played with toys but toys have changed through the years.
- Toys have changed and evolved as new materials and technology has been invented. Toys used to be made from wood, metal and cloth but now we often play with plastic toys, including those with batteries.
- Toys can be made from many different materials such as stone, wood, clay, iron or plastic. The oldest toys ever found were made from antler horn and soft rock. Many toys in the past century were made from wood or metal. The main material used for toys in the present is plastic.
- People have always played with toys but many toys evolved over time. This means that as new and more exciting toys are invented, some toys from the past are no longer played with or considered exciting.
- As more families have moved to England over time, British children play with more toys that have been brought from around the world.
- The Teddy Bear was first invented in America, and came to England from there in the 20th Century.
- Lego was invented in 1947 by Ole Kirk Christiansen in Denmark. It used to be made from wood but is now made from plastic.

Big Ideas: Chronology • Evolution & Technology • Society • Change Makers

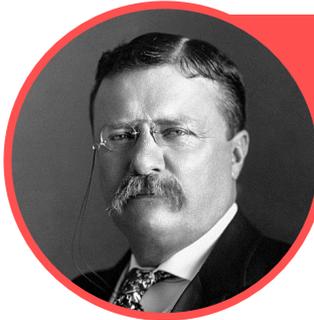


Important People



Ole Kirk Christiansen

Ole Kirk Christiansen was a Danish carpenter and creator of LEGO. The building blocks have become one of the most popular children's toys of all time.



Theodore 'Teddy' Roosevelt

In 1902 the President of the USA was on a hunting trip. He refused to shoot a bear which has been tied up. A shopkeeper named a stuffed bear 'Teddy's bear' after him.



Key Vocabulary

year: 365 days or 12 months

decade: ten years

century: one hundred years

past: a time that has happened- just now or a long time ago

present: now, happening at this time

evolution: something changing slowly over time

modern: something new or recent

traditional: something old or as it was in the past

materials: anything used for building or making something else

invented: designed and built by people

We Are Building Our Knowledge From

- Happy and Healthy (Reception)

This will help when we learn about

- The History of Flight (Y1)
- Designing our own Toys- DT (Y1)



Timeline

4000 years ago

Over 100 years ago

1902

100 years ago

50 years ago

Now

Oldest toys ever found



Toys made with natural materials



Teddy bear invented



Plastic toys invented



Battery powered toys invented



Toys made with a wide range of materials