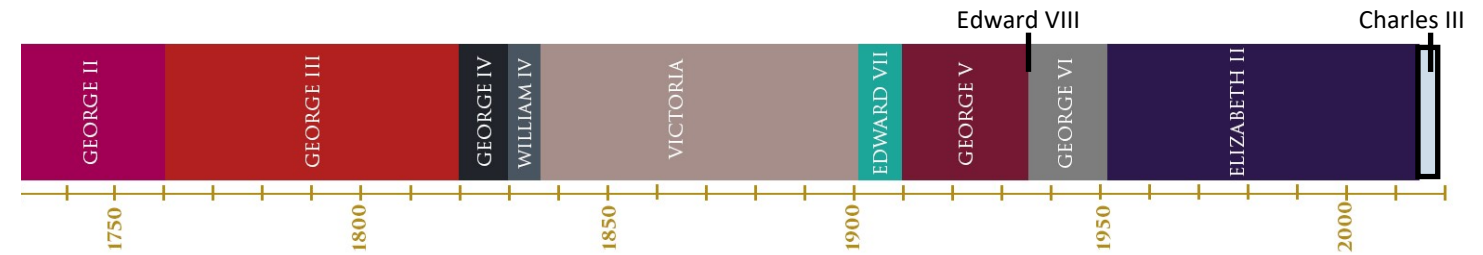




The Victorians History Knowledge Organiser



Timeline: The British Monarchy from 1730 - 2023

Time period: 1837- 1901

Monarch: Queen Victoria



School

Start: 9 am
 End: 5pm
 Lunch- 12-2pm
 Lessons: Drill Exercise, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Bible Study, Sewing (Girls), Woodwork/ Gardening (Boys).

School rules

Pupils must wait permission to speak
 Pupils must use right hand
 Pupils must stand when adults enter
 Pupils must not ask questions
 Pupils must not raise their hands without permission
 Talking and fidgeting will be punished

Punishments

The Cane (hands or bottom), Dunces's hat, Lines.

Equipment

Slate, Slate Pencils, Abacus, Globe, Ink (Older children), Blackboard.

Extra Information

Wooden desks- fixed to floor
 High windows
 Up to 100 children per class
 Strict teachers (usually female)

Children's jobs

Farm work
 Trade apprentice- Butcher, Baker, Funeral Parlour etc.
 Chimney Sweep
 Factory worker- cleaning machinery
 Trapper- Open and shut doors in mines to allow release of gases.
 Drawer- Pull carts of coal by a chain around their waist out of the mines.

Street Children

Run errands
 Shoe shine
 Sweep streets in front of the rich
 Begging
 Stealing
 Selling: Flowers, Matchsticks, Boot laces, Buttons, Firewood.

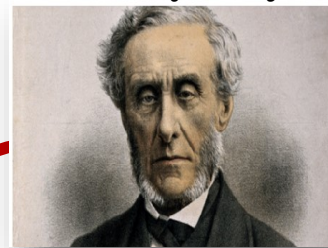
Rich Home Life

Large houses
 Servants/Maids/Nanny/Tutor
 Expensive Clothes
 One hour a day with parents
 Flushing Toilets
 Running Water
 Nice food- sandwiches, meats, jams, sweets etc.
 Expensive toys- Rocking horse, Doll's house, Cuddly Toys.
 Sea side holidays
 Strict routines
 Scared of parents

Poor Home Life

Small houses- 1/2 rooms
 Sometimes shared with families
 Slums- dirty houses packed together
 Very little food
 Worn, dirty clothes
 Open sewer
 Water pumped from a well
 Shared toilet
 Invent own games
 Play with what you find
 Involved with housework
 Closer with parents

Lord Shaftesbury



Dr Barnardo



Government Reforms

- 1833 - Factory Act stopped children under 9 from working in factories. Children between 9- 13 years were limited to work 8 hours a day and maximum working week of 48 hours.
- 1842 - Mines Act stopped women and children under 10 working in mines.
- 1844 - Factory Act stopped children between 8-12 from working more than 6½ hours a day.
- 1847 - Factory Act limited women and children under 18 to a 58-hour working week.
- 1864 - Boys under 10 were banned from being chimney sweeps.
- 1874 - Ten Hour Factory Act meant that people could not be made to work for more than 10 hours a day and children under 14 could not be employed fulltime.
- 1878 - Factory and Workshop Act banned the employment of children under 10.
- 1880 - Education Act made it compulsory for children up to 12 to go to school, but most children had to pay.
- 1891 - Education is free and compulsory for all 5 - 13 year olds.

Key Vocabulary

- abacus** - mathematical equipment used for calculating sums
- cane** - a stick used for punishment
- factory** - a building with machines
- Industrial Revolution** - a time of major change in the way products were made.
- industry** - a group of companies that all produce the same thing.
- perspective** - a particular attitude towards or way of regarding something.
- reform** - make changes to something in order to improve it.
- reign** - to control a country
- society** - people living together in organised communities
- workhouse** - a home for the poor

Interesting Inventions during the Victorian Era

- 1840 - Stamps
- 1843 - Christmas Cards
- 1846 - Sewing Machine
- 1849 - Concrete
- 1851 - Ice Cream
- 1852 - Flushing Toilet
- 1854 - Steel Production
- 1872 - Penny Farthing Bicycle
- 1873 - Typewriter
- 1876 - Telephone
- 1877 - Phonograph (Record Player)
- 1878 - Electric Street Lighting
- 1885 - First Motorcar
- 1888 - Kodak Camera
- 1894 - Moving Pictures (Films)

