



# Year 2 The Victorians

## Essential Knowledge

By the end of this unit children will:

Know when the Victorian period started and ended.

Place the Victorian period on a given timeline.

Know who was Queen at the time.

Discuss how life during this period was different to life now.

Be able to compare the differences between rich and poor people during the Victorian times.

Use Historical vocabulary to compare and contrast.

Identify what a balanced diet looks like and how this impacts them.

### Sensational Start

History off the Page—  
A day in the life of a Victorian

### Extraordinary Extra

Creative response inspired by Victorian factories and work-houses.

### Fabulous Finish

Performance of our Oliver twist dance.  
(PE)

Key Dates:  
Wednesday 14th January—History off the Page Victorian Day (costumes required)

PE days—  
Hedgehogs—Tuesday and Wednesday  
Owls—Monday and Wednesday

Core Subjects: Links to theme	Blast from the Past—Theme Content—National Curriculum links						
English	Foundation Subjects						RE
<p>This half term we will be focusing our learning around two key texts. Within this we will learn how to write poems, speeches, persuasive letters and non-chronological reports.</p> <p><u>Key Texts:</u></p> <p><b>'Dear Earth'</b> by Isabel Otter &amp; Clara Anganuzzi</p> <p><b>'We Are Water Protectors'</b> by Carole Lindstrom</p>	Maths	History	Art and Design Unit	DT Day	PE	RSE	British Values
	We will focus our Maths learning on money and measure as well as spending time learning about multiplication and division. We will be applying our new learning to problem solving and reasoning activities daily.	In History we will be learning about the differences between Victorian life and modern day life, the differences between rich and poor people at the time as well as learning about how schools have changed and the role of children within their communities.	In Art the children will be learning about the English artist L.S. Lowry, Lowry colours and Perspective. They will be appraising examples of his work and using that to create their own piece of Victorian industrial landscape art.	Food—A balanced diet	Dance Dodgeball (LA)	Dreams and Goals	Individual Liberty
Computing	Music			Plan and prepare a balanced meal.			
We will begin by looking at how to keep safe online before moving onto word processing skills and touch typing.	In Music we will be learning about instruments of the orchestra and practice identifying these within a piece of music linked to Western Traditional Tales.						
Science							
In Science we will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials. We will also learn about a range of Victorian scientists and inventors such as Charles Mackintosh, John McAdam and John Dunlop.							