IMPORTANT FIGURES



Marc and Isambard Kingdom Brunel Constructed the first Thames tunnel.



Charles Pearson An MP who promoted the idea of the underground railway in London.



Joe Clough

Drove an omnibus and one of the first drivers to be trained on modern buses.

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Links to previous and future learning

Year 1	Year 2	Future learning	
Explorers	Great Fire of London	Year 4 Migration—Windrush Generation	
Migration	United Islands, Jamaica vs UK — comparison study	Year 5 — Rivers — River Thames study	
		Year 6 — My London	

KEY LEARNING

- •The Industrial Revolution changed society from focusing on farming , to one based on machinery and factories.
- •London became a very busy, polluted overcrowded city.
- •The London Underground was first opened in 1863 by the Metropolitan Railway and was the first underground urban railway in the world.
- •The Underground helped stop London being so overcrowded as people could commute from the suburbs to work, spreading London out.
- •The first tube trains were steam trains, changing to electric trains from 1898.
- •Kentish Town is on the Northern Line, Caledonian Road is on the Piccadilly Line.
- •The tube is an important form of transport still used today in London.
- •The public transport system in London is an important part of reducing traffic congestion and air pollution today.
- •The Elizabeth Line was opened in May 2022, and is named after Queen

Elizabeth II. It connects the western suburbs to the eastern suburbs on Greater London.



VOCABULARY



Industrial Revolution		The change in society from a focus on farming, to one based on machinery and the first factories.
urban		A town or city environment.
suburbs		An area on the edge of the city, which is a place where people live.
steam power		Steam pressure from heating water, provides power to an engine.
commute		To often travel some distance between your home and place of work.
passenger		A person travelling from one place to another in a vehicle they are not driving or working on themselves.
omnibus	C ONTRO	A horse drawn bus. A popular form of transport before the tube in London.
Hansom cab	Sint	A two-wheeled vehicle pulled by a horse, used like a taxi in the past, before the motor car were invented.
tram	am A vehicle for many passengers – they have been horse drawn, followed by steam powered and now electric power	
		Timeline

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1712	1863	1868	1890	1907	1908		
James Watt invents	First London	Kentish Town station	Electric tube	Kentish Town	Motor car invent-		
the steam engine	Underground line	opened — as an	train invented	underground	ed by Henry Ford		
	opened	overground		station opened			

Geographical Skills and Fieldwork — Map Skills

