What was life like in the Victorian times?

Year 4 History

Summer Term 1

Key Vocabulary	
arithmetic	Learning about maths and numbers.
industry	A group of companies that all produce the same thing.
Industrial Revolution	A time of major change in the way products were made.
invention	A new thing that someone has made.
livestock	Farm animals.
migrate	Move to a different area to find work or better living conditions.
reign	To control a country.
rural	The countryside.
revolution	A big change in something.
typhoid	A bacterial infection that can spread throughout the body.

The Victorian Era: The time between 1837 to 1901 when Queen Victoria reigned over Britain.

The Industrial Revolution

The Industrial Revolution was a period of huge change in Britain between 1750 and 1900. Before The Industrial Revolution, Britain was a rural country, most people lived off the land with livestock.

People began to realise that coal and steam could be used to power factories, large machines, flour and cotton mills. This reduced the time it took to make something and so The Industrial Revolution began.

Children

Victorians were very strict with children. At the beginning of the Victorian era -

- children from rich families either went to school or were taught at home.
- children from poor families didn't go to school. They had to work for little money in dangerous and strict conditions.

During the Victorian era laws were made to allow all children to go to school.

Victorian history timeline of inventions















1885

motor car

These items were used.

without a washing machine.







Homes

Victorian homes had no electricity. Washing clothes was very different

dolly and tub

1837 Victoria is

crowned

Queen

(Sir Henry Cole)

1846

sewing machine (Elias Howe)

ice cream (Carlo Gatti)

1851

1852 flushing toilets

type-writers (Sholes and Glidden)

1872

telephone

1876

(Alexander G Bell)

(Carl Benz)

FA Cup Final