# Coley Primary School – Knowledge Organiser

| SUBJECT FOCUS: | TOYS | YEAR 1 | TERM |
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## WHAT? – Key Knowledge

Toys are objects that are played with. People have made toys for thousands of years.

Historians have found toys all the way back to the time of Ancient Egyptians this is a very long time ago – thousands of years.

**What were toys like in the past? How have toys changed?**

Time can be measured in years.

When 10 years pass we call it a decade.

There are similarities and differences between toys now and toys in the past.

**Toys in the 1940s**

Toys were made of wood, metal, paper, china and cloth.

A few toys are made of plastic.

Toys that moved used clockwork and had to be wound with a key.





**Toys in the 1950s – 60s**

Some toys started to be made from plastic.

Some of the very first toys to use batteries were made.

Children mostly still played with wind-up toys.







## WHAT? – Key vocabulary

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| **Past** | Things that have happened before. Time that has gone by. |
| **Present** | The time we are living in. Things happening now. |
| **Ancient** | Very far back in the past. |
| **Historian** | People who find out about the past. |
| **Decade** | 10 years |
| **Similarity** | Things that are the same |
| **Difference** | Things that are not the same |
| **Clock work**  | A toy that has cogs and a spring to make it move. |

## Types of Toys

There are lots of types of toys from the past that we still play with today. But they might be made from different materials.



Board Games

Dolls









Construction

Outdoor Toys







Teddies

## Toys in the 1970s

Some of the first computer consoles and games were made.

Lots more toys were made from plastic. Some were still made of metal.






## Toys in the 1980s and 1990s

Lots of toys were made from plastic and many toys used batteries to work.

Newer, better computer consoles and games were made.






## Toys Now

Lots of toys are still made of plastic but we still use metal, wood and fabric as well.

Lots of children play games on consoles, phones and Ipads.






## Diagrams and Symbols

We can use timelines to put objects in order from the oldest to the newest.



Oldest

1970





Modern

2000s

## How can we find out about toys from the past?

We can ask our parents, grand-parents and maybe even great grand-parents or older people that we know.

We might play with toys that belonged to our parents or grand-parents.

We can look at adverts from magazines and the TV.

We can visit a museum and read books.

## Famous People

### Ole Kirk Christiansan

Ole Kirk Christiansen owned a toy company that made wooden toys.
In 1947 his company started to make plastic toys. He invented 'Lego' bricks which are still made today.





### Ruth Handler

In 1959 Ruth Handler invented Barbie dolls. She named them after her daughter Barbara. They are still made today.





## Possible Experiences

Interview our parents and grandparents.
Interview older members of the community.
Find out what toys in the past were made from and how they worked.
Use timelines and put toys in order from oldest to newest.