



History

Industrial Revolution

Victorian timeline

- 1819** Victoria is born.
- 1837** Victoria becomes Queen.
- 1837** The Houses of Parliament are built.
- 1840** Queen Victoria marries Prince Albert.
- 1842** The Mines and Collieries Act prevents underground work for women and girls, and boys under 10.
- 1851** The Great Exhibition opens at Crystal Palace.
- 1853** The Crimean War begins.
- 1859** Charles Darwin's *On the Origin of Species* is published.
- 1861** Prince Albert dies.
- 1870** The Education Act makes education compulsory for children between the ages of five and 13.
- 1879** Thomas Edison makes the first electric light bulb.
- 1891** The Elementary Education Act makes school free for all children up to age 15.
- 1901** Queen Victoria dies.

Famous Victorians

There was a lot of social change, innovation and creativity during the Victorian era. Many important and well-known people were working during this time.

Victorian era

The Victorian era was the time when Queen Victoria was on the throne. It lasted from 1837 until 1901. It was a time of huge change in Britain. The introduction of steam power revolutionised transport, factories, and farming, leading to the Industrial Revolution. Social change saw the rise of the suffrage movement, the struggle for women's right to vote. Working conditions and education also improved during the Victorian era.



Dr Barnardo
founder of the
Barnardo's charity
for orphaned
children



Elizabeth Fry
prison reformer



**Florence
Nightingale**
nurse and social
reformer



**Isambard Kingdom
Brunel**
engineer



Charles Dickens
author



Lewis Carroll
author



**Alexander
Graham Bell**
inventor of the
telephone



William Morris
designer

Glossary

empire	A group of countries ruled by one monarch.
factory	A place where goods are manufactured.
Industrial Revolution	The rapid development of industry that took place during the late 1700s and early 1800s, brought about by the introduction of machinery.
moral	Relating to behaviour that is considered by most people to be correct.
orphan	A child whose parents have died.
population	The people living in a country or area.
punishment	Inflicting a negative consequence as a result of someone's crime.
reign	The time when a king or queen is on the throne.
revolutionise	To change something completely.
slum	An overcrowded area where poor people live.
social reformer	A person who tries to improve the lives of people in society.
suffragette	A woman who campaigned for the right for women to vote.
Victorian	Relating to the time when Queen Victoria reigned.
workhouse	A place where poor people lived and worked, usually in terrible conditions.