



## Year 1/2 - Victorious Victorians

### Amazing Facts:

- The telephone was invented by Alexander Bell in 1876. In 1878, Queen Victoria received her very first telephone call.
- Queen Victoria was married to Prince Albert and they had 9 children.
- Victorians also began the tradition of giving Christmas cards.

### Queen Victoria:



Victoria was Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland (1837-1901) and empress of India (1876-1901). Her reign was the longest of any monarch in British history and came to be known as the Victorian era.



### Houses:

Victorian houses have **chimneys** because they often had a fireplace in most rooms. The fire was the only way to keep warm. In towns many lived in terraced houses which were very small homes with two rooms upstairs and two downstairs. There were often no gardens, and only had small back yards where the outside toilet was.

### Glossary

**Change:** A person, place, thing or idea becomes different over time.

**Factory:** A building where things are made, often by machines.

**Inventions:** An invention is a new thing that someone has made, created or designed.

**Monarch:** A monarch, such as a king or queen, rules a kingdom or empire.

**Palace:** A palace is a beautiful, large house where someone important, like a king or queen, lives.

**Queen Victoria:** Became Queen at 18 and reigned from 1837 - 1901 (64 years).

**Reign:** The time that someone is king or queen.

### Key Inventions:



telephone



motorcar



typewriter



bicycle



bank holidays and seaside holidays



moving films

### School Life:

Not many people could read or write. So in 1880 Queen Victoria decided every 5-10 year old had to go to school. In very poor areas, some Victorian classrooms would have up to 70 or 80 children.



### People:

The Victorians were the people who lived during the reign of Queen Victoria, from the 20 June 1837 until the date of her death on the 22 January 1901. It was an era of exciting discoveries, inventions and exploration following the Industrial Revolution.

