







# CHANGES WITHIN LIVING MEMORY: TOYS THROUGH HISTORY (Y1)



Top 10 Toy Facts	
Before electric toys were invented, many toys had levers, hinges and wheels, so that the user could move them.	Toys can be very big or very small – from tiny finger puppets to huge dollhouses!
The word 'toy' comes from the Old English word meaning 'tool.'	Even a piece of string can be used as a toy! When both ends are tied together, people have used it over the years to play Cat's Cradle.
You can often tell when a toy is from by the material that it is made from.	Sometimes toys go through a 'craze' period when they are popular – like the hula hoop in the 1950s or rollerblades in the 1990s.
Toys changed a lot after TV was invented: many were based on TV shows that children watch – this still happens today!	The first ever video arcade game was called 'Pong' and was made by Atari in 1972.
Rubik's Cubes are a popular puzzle toy – more than 350 million have been sold!	It takes 63 feet of wire to make a slinky toy.

## Toys Timeline

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Ancient Egyptians played with stone dice, marbles, and dolls.	Stonehenge: Toy animals carved from stone were played with.	The game of chess invented, with carved chess pieces	Vikings played a game using a stick and a ball.	Children played with alphabet blocks	Victorian children played with wooden crafted toys e.g. train, boats.	The teddy bear was invented, named after US President Theodore Roosevelt	The first Barbie doll	The super Nintendo games console is released.

Popular Toys	
<b>Dolls</b>  -A doll is a model of a human. -The earliest dolls can be traced back to the early civilisations of Egypt, Greece and Rome. -With new materials such as plastic, there are now thousands of different types of dolls that are mass-produced.	<b>Board Games</b>  -A board game is a game that is played on a flat surface. -It involves counter pieces being moved around on a 'board.' -They have been played from the earliest civilisations, e.g. Egypt and Mesopotamia.
<b>Physical Activity Toys</b>  -These are toys that require the user to be active, e.g. trampolines and hula-hoops. -Some of these toys, e.g. skipping ropes and balls, have been around for hundreds of years! -These toys can be used to build up physical fitness.	<b>Teddy Bears</b>  -A teddy bear is a soft toy in the form of a bear. -The first teddy bears were sold in 1902 – named after Theodore 'Teddy' Roosevelt. -There are now thousands of types of teddies.
<b>Construction Toys</b>  - Construction toys allow the user to build using blocks or pieces. -The most famous example is Lego, which was first released in Denmark in 1949. -Over 600 billion Lego parts have been produced!	<b>Computer Games Consoles</b>  -A video games console is a computer system on which the user can play games. -The first games consoles were around from the 1970s but were nothing like games consoles today! The biggest selling console of all time is the PS2.

**Equality and Diversity Inclusion**

## Vocabulary

- Dolls house
- Lego
- Train set
- New
- Fun
- Old
- Play flick
- Move
- Touch
- Remember
- Victorian
- Present
- Past
- Decade
- Mechanical
- Modern
- Machine