



- Overview**
- What sort of houses do people live in today?
  - How were homes different in the past?
  - What would you find in a house from the past?
  - Why have houses changed over time?
  - How have building styles changed over time?

## How have houses changed over time? (Houses through time)

| Language of a historian    |  |
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| <b>Tudor</b>               | A period of British history from when King Henry VII was king until Queen Elizabeth I died. 1485- 1603   |
| <b>Stuart and Jacobean</b> | A period of British history from when King James I was king until Queen Anne died. 1603 - 1714   |
| <b>Georgian</b>            | A period in British history when King George I – IV reigned. 1714 - 1830   |
| <b>Victorian</b>           | A period of British history when Queen Victoria reigned. 1837 - 1901   |
| <b>Edwardian</b>           | A period of British history when King Edward VII reigned. 1901 - 1910  |
| <b>Post-war era</b>        | Any time period after World War II. 1945 onwards   |
| <b>Century</b>             | A period of one hundred years. We count the centuries from 1 AD. This means that 1900's is 20 <sup>th</sup> century and 2000's is 21 <sup>st</sup> century |
| <b>Modern</b>              | An object which is present or from recent times  |
| <b>Upper class</b>         | A term which usually refers to people with a title such as Duke, Earl, Lady or Queen   |
| <b>Middle Class</b>        | A term used for people who work in an office or in a job such as teacher, manager, doctor or architect   |
| <b>Working class</b>       | A term used for people who worked as manual labourers such as in coal mines or factories   |
| <b>Architecture</b>        | The art of designing and constructing buildings  |

'Houses are like people – some you like and some you don't like – and once in a while there is one you love.' Emily Climbs

'Every house has a story to tell.' Riley Sager

| Language of an architect |   |
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| <b>Thatched</b>          | A thatched roof is made from straw. Usually seen on cottages but now forbidden in London since the Fire of London |
| <b>Detached</b>          | A house that is not joined to any other house or building.  |
| <b>Semi-detached</b>     | A house joined to another house on one side or by a common wall   |
| <b>Terraced</b>          | A house built as part of a continuous row   |
| <b>Interior</b>          | The inner part of something such as a building  |
| <b>Exterior</b>          | The outer part of something such as a building  |
| <b>Layout</b>            | The way in which the parts of something are arranged or laid out. For a house this is how the rooms are organised |
| <b>Art Deco</b>          | A decorative art style in 1920 – 1930 with precise, bold shapes and strong colours                                |
| <b>Fixtures</b>          | A piece of equipment or furniture which is fixed into position in a building such as water pipes.                 |

### Fun Facts

- The first houses were actually caves which Ice Age humans lives in.
- In Ancient Sumer the Kings lived in two-story high houses with a courtyard by poorer people lived in simple hand-made huts.
- In Ancient Egypt rich people had decorative gardens full of flowers and often with swimming pools.
- The Ancient Greeks made bricks out of mud which they covered in plaster. They also used pottery tiles to make roofs.
- The Celts lived in Britain around 650 BC. They had roundhouses which had a central pole and horizontal poles radiating outwards.
- Poor people in Ancient Rome lived in blocks of flats called insulae.
- In the Middle Ages, houses were designed to keep you safe rather than for comfort.
- The first council house was built before the First World War.
- In the early 1950's homes in Britain did not have bathrooms, if you need the toilet you had to use the outdoor lavatory!

### Key questions to ask yourself

- What type of house do I live in?
- What is the best looking house I have ever seen? Why?
- What were houses like in Ancient Egypt?
- What were houses like in the Stone Age?

### Different houses around Lewes



**Anne of Cleves house - Tudor**



**Sussex house - Georgian**



**Claydon house - Victorian**



**Friend's Meeting House – 18<sup>th</sup> Century**

### Things to try at home

- Build your own house out of recycled materials
- Draw a floor plan of your house
- Count how many different styles of houses you can spot when on a walk
- Design your dream home. What would it look like?

| Celtic | Roman | Saxon | Viking | Tudor | Georgian | Victorian | Today |
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| 500 BC | AD 43 | 450   | 793    | 1485  | 1714     | 1837      | 1990+ |