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VOCABULARY DOZEN

**Bakery** a place where bread or cakes are made and sold

**London** the capital city of England and the United Kingdom (UK)

**Diary** a book with pages for each day of the year in which to write about events

**Cart** a vehicle with two or four wheels pulled by a horse

**Flammable** easily sets on fire

**Eye witness** a person who has seen something and can give a description of it

**Embers** small pieces of glowing coal or wood in a dying fire

**Servant** a person who works in a house, cleaning and cooking

**Monument** a structure put up to remind us of a person or an event

**Burn** in flames, on fire

**Buildings** structures with walls such as houses, factories, churches

**Possessions** things that are owned

1666

Samuel Pepys

London in the UK

Timeline of the Great Fire

Sunday 2nd September

**Early Sunday morning**

The fire starts at Thomas Farriner’s Bakery on Pudding Lane

**Sunday morning**

Samuel Pepys starts to record the unfolding events in his diary

**Early Monday morning**

People carry their possessions to safety using boats on the River Thames

**Monday evening**

The fire spreads very close to the Tower of London

**Tuesday**

Houses are pulled down in an attempt to stop the fire spreading

**Wednesday**

The fire starts to burn more slowly as the wind dies down

**Thursday**

The fire is finally under control and put out