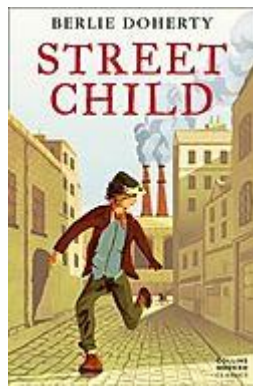
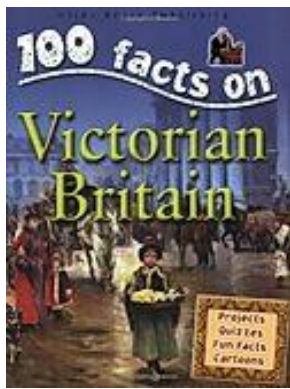




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Specific Vocabulary

Workhouses	Workhouses were places where a person went if they could not afford to financially support themselves and their families - they quickly became extremely crowded and unpleasant.
The Public Health Act 1848	The Public Health Act was drafted to improve public health conditions in poor areas, where sewage openly flowed through the streets.
Class	Despite the revolution, there were still distinct social classes: the upper class, middle class, and working class. Life was terrible for the poorest: Awful working conditions and little food.

By the end of the unit I should be able to answer:

- 1) Who was Queen Victoria and when did she reign?
- 2) What did the Victorians achieve?
- 3) How are Victorian homes different to the homes we have today?
- 4) What jobs were there in Victorian times?
- 5) How are Victorian schools different to modern schools?
- 6) Did all children go to school in the Victorian times?
- 7) What was a Victorian Christmas like?

The British Empire in 1901.

By 1901 (the year in which Queen Victoria died) Britain ruled over about 1/4 of the world. At this point, the British Empire was made up of around 400 million people (the population of England was only around 40 million). The empire included the entire Indian subcontinent, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and large parts of Africa. 'Dominion' (self-governing) status was awarded to 'white' countries (e.g. Australia), however, in some countries (e.g. in Africa) rule was more authoritarian.



Timeline

1837	1840	1843	1850	1856	1861	1880	1901
Victoria becomes Queen aged 18.	Britain claims New Zealand as a colony to head off the French.	Charles Dickens publishes 'A Christmas Carol.'	Workhouses were opened, offering basic food and beds in return for work.	Britain defeats Russia in the Crimean War.	Prince Albert dies of typhoid.	School compulsory for 5-10 year olds	Queen Victoria dies. Her son, Edward VII, becomes King.