

Vlad and the Great Fire of London KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Plot:

It is 1666 and Vlad the flea and his friend Boxtton the rat love eating and biting their way round London. But one night in Pudding Lane they are caught up in a fire that threatens to destroy them, along with most of the city of London.

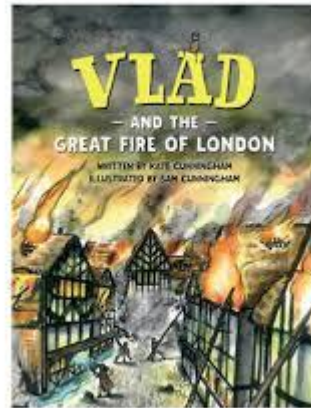
Themes:

History, fire

Setting:

London

Name of book:	Vlad and the Great Fire of London
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Genre:	Historical Fiction



VOCABULARY

Pudding Lane	A road in London
Plague	A disease that killed a lot of people in 1665/66
feasted	Eaten lots of
dozy	A bit sleepy
River Thames	A river that flows through London
London	The capital city of England
collapsing	Falling down
Thatched roofs	Roofs made out of straw
Scorched singed	Burnt
Inferno	A huge fire that is out of control
Tower of London	An important building in London
precious	Something that is very special to someone

CHARACTERS

Vlad	A flea
Boxton	A rat, Vlad's friend
Samuel	Samuel Pepys a diary writer

Quotes from the story

'Everything was wonderful until three days ago' Vlad
 'We had to move quickly!' Vlad
 'It will be safe there Samuel' Samuel Pepys

DISCUSSION POINTS

- Why did the fire start and spread so quickly?
- What would you bury to keep safe in a fire?
- How would a fire be put out today?
- What should you do if you see a fire?
- Do you think the flea really existed? What parts of the story do you think are real and what parts are made up?