

Paganel Primary School – Summer Term Knowledge Organiser

Year Group: 2 Topic: The Toymaker

Prior knowledge

Year 1 knowledge which will support the children during this topic:

To talk about their own and others' work identifying strengths and areas for development using a design criteria.

To describe the work of others, including work by professional crafts people and designers, saying what they like and dislike about it.

To describe similarities and differences between historical artefacts and pictures.

Key Knowledge

Through this topic, the children will:

- Shadow puppets originated from China during the Tang and Song dynasties and were used to entertain the wealthy in Chinese society.
- Shadow puppets were originally made from paper sculpture, but were later made from the leather of donkeys and oxen. That's why their Chinese name is pi ying, which means shadows of leather.
- Puppets became popular toys for children from wealthy families during Victorian times.
- Children from rich families in Victorian Britain played with rocking horses, train sets, doll's houses and toy soldiers.
- Children from poorer families in Victorian Britain tended to play with home-made toys such as peg dolls, spinning tops and skipping ropes.
- For a long time, toys were made from natural materials, but during the late 19th century plastic was developed, in the early 20th century toy makes began to make some toys out of plastic.

Key Vocabulary

Spelling	Definition/Sentence
Marionette	Is a puppet controlled from above using wires and strings.
Marionettist	The name given to a puppeteer who uses marionettes.
Slider	A simple mechanism that moves up/down.
Theatre	An area in which plays take place.
Analyse	Examine something in great detail.
Evaluate	Judge something's worth or quality.
Past	Gone by in time.
Victorians	A period of time spanning Queen Victoria's reign.
Queen Victoria	The queen of the United Kingdom between 1837 to 1901.
Century	A period of time spanning one hundred years.
Decade	A period of time spanning ten years.
Sequence	Ordering events in sequential order.

Images and Diagrams

Shadow Puppets



Puppet Theatre



Marionette



Queen Victoria

