

Key Learning

The Victorian era lasted from 1837 until 1901. It is named after Queen Victoria who was on the throne from 1837 until her death in 1901.

We can see evidence of the Victorian era in Whittington such as buildings and the railway.

There are lots of famous Victorians and some of them lived locally. This included Eglantyne Jebb and Charles Darwin.

Thomas Telford was a famous Victorian Civil engineer who designed bridges, roads, buildings and canals. Many of these were in Shropshire. The town of Telford was named after him.

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The Victorians started a lot of Christmas traditions that we still have today such as Christmas cards, crackers, Christmas trees and eating Turkey on Christmas day.

Year 4 – The Victorians

Local Heritage

Buildings in Whittington
Bridges and canals.
Famous Victorians linked to the local area.
Blists Hill Victorian town.

Exciting Reads

A Christmas Carol by
Charles Dickens



Subject Specific Vocabulary

British Empire-	countries ruled by Britain, later becomes the commonwealth.
Workhouse	a place where poor people who want help from the government could go to get accommodation and employment.
Industry	A group of companies that all produce the same thing
Invention	A new thing that someone had created or made
Industrial Revolution	a time when the manufacturing of goods moved from small shops and homes to large factories. This shift brought about changes in culture as people moved from rural areas to big cities in order to work.
Steam engine	Steam engines use the power of steam to operate machines.
Civil Engineer	the profession of designing and building structural works that serve the general public, such as dams, bridges, aqueducts, canals, ...

Timeline

1837 AD

Victoria becomes Queen
At the age of 18.

1861 AD

Queen Victoria's husband
Prince Albert dies aged 42.

1876

Eglantyne Jebb was born in
Ellesmere.

1880 AD

Law passed that all children
Under 10 must attend school

1901

Queen Victoria dies aged 81

Victorian Whittington

