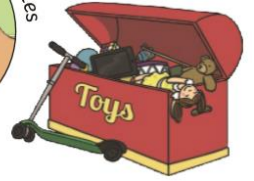
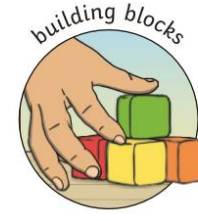


History of Toys – Knowledge Organiser – Year 1 – Autumn Term 1

Key Vocab

old	new
past	present
materials	plastic
wood	cloth
metal	19 th century
20 th century	21 st century



Key Facts

Toys have existed for thousands of years. They were made out of materials that were available at the time, even stones and string have been made into toys.

Modern toys are mainly made of plastic. This is because it is usually safer and easier to make things with.

Many modern toys use electricity to work. Computers and consoles were invented in the 20th century.

Key questions to think about...

Which toys are old and which toys are new?
How do you know?

Which toys would your parents have played with?

What were old toys usually made of?

Key People

Richard Steiff



In Germany, Richard Steiff based one of his toy designs on a bear he saw at the zoo. In 1902 the Steiff company started making teddy bears.

Ole Kirk Christiansen



Ole Kirk Christiansen called his toy company 'Lego' in 1939. The plastic blocks were made in 1949.

Ruth Handler



Ruth Handler invented the Barbie doll in 1959. She named the doll after her daughter Barbara.

Timeline



To do at home

Ask your parents, carers, grandparents and other family members what toys they used to play with.

Look at the different materials your toys are made of and ask your family members what their toys were made of.

Use your knowledge of identifying a toys age by the material it is made of with your toys at home.