



Meadow Vale Primary School		
Topic: Shaping our World	Subject(s): History	Year: 4

Vocabulary	
Victorian	A period of time when Queen Victoria ruled Great Britain.
Invention	When someone has created or designed something.
Inventor	The person who has invented something.
Design	The plan or drawing to show the function and parts of the idea.
Significant	Sufficiently great and important enough to worthy of attention.
Impact	A marked effect or influence.
Chronological	Events in the order they occurred.
Law	A rule which is part of a system.

What should I already know?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes within living memory (aspects of change in national life). • The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. • Significant historical events, people and places in the children’s own locality. • Events beyond living memory that are significant

What we will be learning about:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will study an aspect of British history that had an impact on the world and the way we live today. • That the Victorian age was a turning point in British history because of the inventions designed and made. • How significant people in the past had an impact on the life and society of today. • How laws have changed throughout history.



Martin Luther King, Jr. was a civil rights activist in the 1950s and 1960s. He led non-violent protests to fight for the rights of all people including African Americans. He hoped that one day America and the rest of the world would treat all people equally regardless of their race and colour of their skin. He is considered one of the most significant figures of modern times, and his speeches still inspire many to this day.



Rosa Parks was an African-American civil rights activist. She fought for the rights of black people in America during the 1950s. Rosa Parks is most famous for refusing to give up her seat to a white person on a bus. This led to the bus boycott where black people refused to travel on buses. Eventually, the bus companies changed the laws, meaning black people no longer had to give up their seat for white people.