

# London is Burning!



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The London fire began four days ago. It started in a **bakery**.

London is dry.

There has been no rain for weeks.

It has been hard to put out the fire.

**Fire fighters** have to get water from the **River Thames**.

The **bakery** on Pudding Lane.

The fire has **spread** across London.

It has **destroyed** lots of houses and shops.



The **River Thames** in London.



The **buildings** are **wooden**.

Wood can be set on fire **easily**.

Ann Smith is from London.

She said, "I am so **frightened**!"



Lots of people have **escaped** the fire.

They got on boats to go across the river.

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London is Burning! – YRm/Y1d/Y2e (Green/Blue) – Text

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## London is Burning! – Follow-Up Work

1. What type of text is this? (T1/1b)

2. Identify 3 features of a newspaper report within the text. (T2/1b)

3. Where did the Great Fire of London start? (C2)

4. Why do you think the fire was hard to put out? (P3/1d)

5. What is this called '!' ? (T2/1b)

6. Why do we use '!'? (T2/1b)

7. What are these called “ ” ? (T2/1b)

8. Find and copy the words that Ann Smith said. (C2)

9. Ann Smith is frightened. How do you think you would feel if you lived in London at this time? Why would you feel this way? (P1)

10. How did people escape the fire? (C2)

# London is Burning! – Vocab 1

Match the words to the pictures.

1. bakery

a.



2. fire fighter

b.



3. River Thames

c.

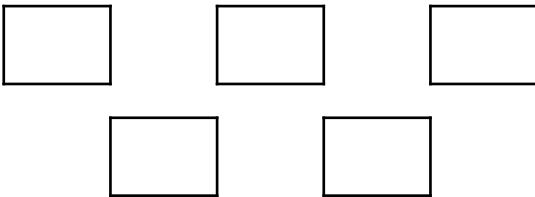


4. buildings

d.



5. wooden



e.



Write the meaning of these words.

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| spread     |  |
| destroy    |  |
| escape     |  |
| easily     |  |
| frightened |  |

## London is Burning! – Vocab 2

Highlight your newly learned words in this word search.

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| b | n | g | c | n | x | e | w |
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| p | e | r | v | i | t | e | n |
| e | t | a | t | i | r | n | e |
| m | b | n | e | r | o | c | t |
| e | a | s | i | l | y | y | s |

spread

destroy

escape

easily

wooden

## London is Burning! – SPAG 1

Some of the information has disappeared! Add the missing words.

It started  a bakery.

Wood  be set on fire easily.

Ann Smith is  London.

There has been no rain  weeks.

It has been hard to put  the fire.

Now, put these words into alphabetical order.

spread \_\_\_\_\_

escaped \_\_\_\_\_

bakery \_\_\_\_\_

fire \_\_\_\_\_

London \_\_\_\_\_

## London is Burning! – SPAG 2

We use capital letters at the beginning of sentences, for names of people, names of places and the word I.

Highlight 3 words or phrases below which are missing capital letters.

ann smith

spread

fire

i

escaped

london

destroyed

Write the 3 words or phrases below with capital letters in the correct places.