



# Mr Dilly's The Great Fire of London Quiz



Test your knowledge! Watch Mr Dilly's Plague and Fire video and see how many questions you can answer about Samuel Pepys, the Plague and the Great Fire. You'll need a pen and paper to write your answers.

1. What year was the Great Plague in London?
2. What was the job of a Gong Farmer?
3. What parish of London did the Great Plague start?
4. What were the men called who tried to clean the city streets?
5. What animals and insects carried the Plague?
6. Why were there red crosses painted on people's doors?
7. Who were the men in the beak nose shaped masks?
8. What was the name of the King?
9. Where did Samuel Pepys live?
10. What job did Samuel Pepys do?
11. What was the type of writing Pepys used to write his diary?
12. What stopped the Plague?
13. Why were the streets and buildings so dry in the summer of 1666?
14. What were most of the buildings in London made from?
15. What was the name of the baker whose oven started the fire?
16. What was the name of the street where the fire started?
17. What date did the Great Fire begin?
18. What was a firebreak?
19. Why did the King ride through the streets of London giving out gold coins?
20. Name one of the flammable things stored in the warehouses by the Thames?





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21. How much did some rich merchants pay boatmen to escape?
22. Who did some people think the fire was started by?
23. How large did the fire get?
24. What did Samuel Pepys bury in his garden?
25. What two things helped the fire stop?
26. How long did the fire burn?
27. How many houses were destroyed?
28. How many people were made homeless ?
29. Who designed the new St Paul's Cathedral?
30. What did King Charles order to be built to remember the fire?





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## ANSWERS

1. 1665
2. To empty the privvies and cesspits out every night
3. St Giles in the Fields
4. Rakers
5. Rats and fleas
6. To warn people that someone in that household had the Plague
7. Plague doctors
8. King Charles II
9. Seething Lane
10. He worked as a clerk for the Royal Navy
11. A type of shorthand called Tachygraphy invented by Thomas Shelton
12. The cold winter of 1665 killed the rats and the fleas carrying the disease
13. There had been 10 months of drought
14. Timberwood frames and wattle and daub
15. Thomas Farrinor
16. Pudding Lane
17. 2nd September 1666
18. A gap in between the houses to stop the fire spreading - they made them by pulling down houses
19. To try and get people to stay and help put out the fire
20. Oil/rope/tar/brandy/candlewax/fat





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## **ANSWERS**

21. Up to £5,000
22. Undercover foreign Dutch spies
23. One and a half miles wide
24. Wine and parmesan cheese
25. The strong wind dropping and using gunpowder to create larger, quicker firebreaks
26. 4 days and 4 nights
27. 13,500 houses
28. Over 100,000 people
29. Sir Christopher Wren
30. A Monument



