**The Great Fire of London and its Aftermath**

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**Why we chose our topic:**

We picked this topic because we believe it was a very important part of history. It changed London and became a much safer place to live in. London went through many problems, such as the plague, and the fire really opened the eyes of the people. They don’t have to go through the pain they went through the day of the fire anymore. The Great Fire of London made a huge impact on the people. Therefore, we believe that this topic is the major turning point in history for London.

**How we conducted our research:**

We conducted our research by starting with the Internet and using many websites afterwards. Some particular websites, including History and Discovery, immensely helped us when it came to the details of the fire. Each website supported our research by its accurate information and its use of resources.

Also, we conducted our research through our World History teacher. She suggested the idea of using the resources in Wikipedia and offered us valuable information about her own knowledge of the great fire. In addition, she supported us with constructive feedback throughout this project, which motivated us to improve and work harder along the way. Our teacher was a great resource and we were thankful for her teachings of this major turning point in London’s history.

**Why we chose a website and how we created it:**

Our group chose to create a website because we thought it would’ve been more interesting to show different sources on how people reacted to the Great Fire of London. On a website, we could be as creative as we wanted to. We were finalizing all the pages, tabs, and our layouts. As we were going through different layouts, we thought we should choose one that fit with our topic. As we were developing the site though, we realized we didn’t have enough information in the diaries section, which became a problem. But, primary sources are always exciting because you’re able to see the victims’ point of view on the event.

**How the topic relates to the theme:**

This topic relates to the theme because it was a definite turning point. The Great Fire of London caused the entire city to enforce safety rules to make sure that a fire like that didn’t happen again. It also showed other cities how badly one fire could affect a town, causing them to enforce rules as well. After the fire, there were no houses built along the London Bridge, and the streets were built wider and only out of brick. Finally, we were glad to have chosen this topic for our project because it provided us not only a chance to show other people how the fire has affected London, but also a chance for us to get to know London a little better.