Year R – Autumn Term II What is the past and why is it important?

Vocabulary and Glossary

Famous	lots of people know who someone is.
Past	something that has already happened. It was before today
Present	is happening right now. It is today.
Future	What will happen next or later.
King / Queen	A member of the royal family
Tradition	Something people do again and again, often every year or on a special day.
Adults	An animal or plant that is fully grown
Grow	To become larger or develop
Compare	Looking for things that are the same or different
Timeline	A way to organise events in the order in which they happened

Who was King James I?



- King James I is a **famous** king who lived 400 years ago in the **past**
- He was famous because of the **Gunpowder Plot.**
- A group of men tried to blow up the king and Parliament with gunpowder, but their plan was discovered before it could happen.
- King James was kept safe.

How is King James I remembered today?



People celebrate Bonfire Night to remember that the **Gunpowder Plot** was stopped.

Traditions of Bonfire Night include:

- Watching fireworks and having a bonfire.
- Spending time with family and friends
- Eating special treats
- Making firework pictures and crafts

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Who is a famous Queen from the past?



- **Queen Elizabeth** was a queen for a very long time - more than 70 years!
- When she became queen, there were no computers or tablets. People listened to her voice on the radio.
- As she got older, she used video calls, and people watched her on TV.

What has happened in my own past?

- Everyone has a **past**, **present**, and **future**. They have changed since they were a baby.
- People grow from being **babies** to **adults**. Children have already grown from a **baby,** to a **toddler** and into a **child.**
- As people **grow** older, they look different and learn to do lots of different things.



What is different about me today compared to my past?

- We can **compare** the **past** and the **present** by looking at how people grow, change, and learn new skills over time.
- **Important** events in our lives can be remembered and shared.
- We can use photos, objects, memories, and people to help us find out about the past and **compare** it with today.



What is a timeline?

- Everyone has their own personal timeline.
- **Timelines** help us understand what happened f**irst, next,** and **last**.
- **Events** on a timeline go from the **past** to the **present.**
- Pictures, photos, drawings, and simple words can be used to create a **timeline.**

