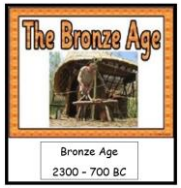
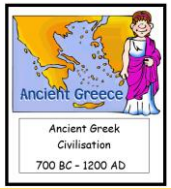
Year 3: The Empire Strikes Back

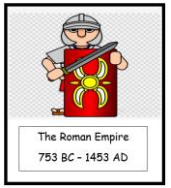
Aboriginals (Australia) from 66 000 BC

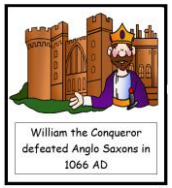


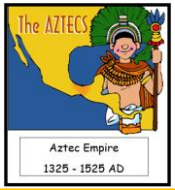
Bronze Age 2300 - 700 BC



Ancient Greek Civilisation 700 BC - 1200 AD


The Roman Empire 753 BC - 1453 AD


William the Conqueror defeated Anglo Saxons in 1066 AD



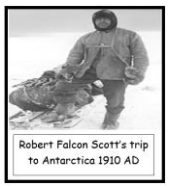
Aztec Empire 1325 - 1525 AD

Guy Fawkes tried to blow up Parliament in 1605 AD

Great Fire of London 1666 AD

Mary Anning's fossil discovery in Lyme Regis 1811 AD

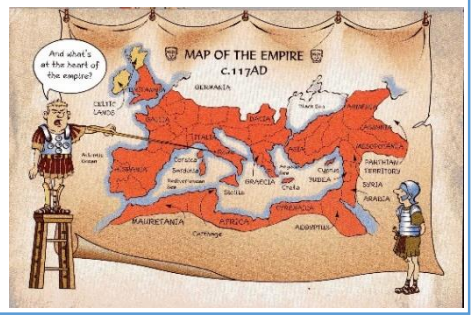
George Cadbury opened his first shop in Birmingham in 1824 AD


Robert Falcon Scott's trip to Antarctica 1910 AD

1 Terms	Definitions
Empire	A group of countries controlled by one government or person.
Emperor or Empress	An emperor (male) or empress (female) was the leader of an empire.
Conquer	Take control of a place using an army.
Invade	To enter a country by force and live in it.
Roman villas	Grand country houses, which had beautifully painted walls, mosaic floors and even heating.
Thatched roof	A roof made with straw.
Primary sources	A document from the time, which has not been changed, e.g. a letter written by a Roman.
Secondary sources	A document written after the time it is describing, e.g. a website that talks about the Romans.

3. Location of Rome and the Roman Empire

- Rome is the capital city of Italy.
- Rome has a population of 3 million.
- The weather is normally warmer and dryer than the UK.
- Italy is in Europe.
- The Romans invaded a lot of Europe before arriving in England.
- Rome is famous for it's Ancient Roman ruins.



2 Roman Britain

The Invasion of the Romans

- 2000 years ago, Britain was inhabited by tribes of Celts and Ancient Britons. However, the Romans were spreading their empire across Europe.
- In 43AD, the Romans invaded England.
- The Roman Empire was ruled by an emperor or empress.
- The Roman Empire was incredibly powerful – they had conquered most of Europe.
- The Roman Army was well trained, and professional.
- The Roman army was organised into Legions (5000 men) which was split into centuries (80 men) controlled by a centurion.
- Soldiers worked well as a team and had very powerful weapons e.g. words, spears, javelins and bows and arrows.

Life in Roman Britain

- The Romans built new towns, which were normally protected by walls.
- Within the towns, there were houses, shops, meeting spaces, workshops, temples and bathhouses.
- Most people lived in wooden houses with thatched roofs.
- Rich people lived in Roman villas, which had lots of servants.
- Romans built special roads so that the army could march quickly.

4. Roman Numerals

- Roman numerals were developed by the Romans.
- They use letters to represent numbers.
- They are still found today on clocks, churches and films – even the iPhone X.

I	V	X	L	C	D	M
1	5	10	50	100	500	1000