

# Year 2 Toys Knowledge Builder

## What's the Best Toy in the World?

### Key History Vocabulary:

#### **Chronology:**

**Chronological Order** – A way of arranging actions, events or things according to the time they occurred.

**Timeline** – A line that shows the order in which related events happened.

**Artefacts** – Objects of cultural or historical interest.

**Past** – A period of time that has happened.

**Present** – The period of time happening now.

**Events** – Something of importance that takes place.

**Sequence** – Arrange in order.

#### **Historical Knowledge:**

**Similarities** – A likeness between objects, ideas or experiences.

**Differences** – Objects, ideas or experiences that are not like each other. The opposite of similarities.

**Change** – How something becomes different.

**Old** – Belongs to the past.

**New** – Recently been made.

**Now** – At the present time or moment.

**Compare** – Look at the similarities and differences between objects, ideas or experiences.

### Old Toys



### New Toys



### Fabulous Facts:

**Differences between old toys and new toys:**

#### **Materials:**

Old toys were usually made from wood, glass, porcelain and types of metal called tin and lead.

New toys are usually made from plastic, foam, rubber and a type of fabric called nylon.

#### **Technology:**

Old toys only ran by a wind-up mechanism called clockwork.

New toys have batteries, electronic speakers, screens and some can access the Internet.

#### **Manufacture:**

Old toys were mostly manmade. This meant that they took a long time and cost a lot of money to make. It also meant that fewer toys could be made.

New toys are mass produced by machines in factories. Lots of new toys are made from plastic. Plastic is much cheaper to use. It can be melted and poured into moulds so lots of toys can be made at the same time. This makes the toys much quicker to make too.

#### **Safety:**

Old toys could have sharp edges and were often made from unsafe materials.

All new toys have to follow strict rules to make sure they are very safe.

### Did you know...

Since their introduction in 1978, more than four billion Lego mini-figures have been made!



The best-selling toy of all time is the Rubik's Cube! More than 350

