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Knowledge Organiser

History: The Gunpowder Plot

I already know:

- How to use a timeline to place events in the order they happened.
- The different ways we can find out about events in the past.
- What a monarch is.

The Plotters Planning the Gunpowder Plot



Useful web links

Why did the Gunpowder Plot happen?

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks1-why-did-the-gunpowder-plot-happen/zv462v4>



Key Vocabulary

London	The capital city of England and the UK where the Gunpowder Plot took place.
plot	A secret plan to do something that could hurt others or is not allowed.
gunpowder	A powder used to create explosions.
Catholic	A Christian who is a member of the Catholic Church.
Protestant	A Christian who is a member of the Church of England.
Guy Fawkes	A gunpowder expert who was blamed for the plot .
King James I	The king of England when the Gunpowder Plot took place.

Key People



Guy Fawkes



Robert Catesby



Thomas Percy










King James I

Key Facts

What was the Gunpowder Plot ?	The Gunpowder Plot was a plot to kill King James I and his government by blowing up the Houses of Parliament.
Why was there a plot ?	The plotters were all Catholic . They thought that King James I was being unfair to Catholics because he was a Protestant . They did not want him to be the king any more.
Did the plot succeed?	The plot failed. Guy Fawkes was found with gunpowder in the cellar at the Houses of Parliament.

Timeline

March 1603	January 1604	April 1604	February 1605	October 1605	November 1605	5th November 1605
						
Elizabeth I dies. Her cousin becomes King James I of England.	Catesby starts planning the Gunpowder Plot.	Guy Fawkes is recruited as explosives expert.	A tunnel is dug towards Parliament. The Gunpowder is smuggled inside.	Lord Monteagle receives a letter of warning.	The King is shown the letter and The King's Men search the vaults.	Guy Fawkes is arrested and questioned. He is found guilty.