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History Focus	Our Ancestors: Toys and Technology	Year 2	Spring 2
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When? (Key Knowledge)	
4000 BCE	The Ancient Egyptians played with stone, dice, marbles and dolls.
500 CE	The game of Chess was invented with carved pieces.
1000 BC	Vikings played a game using a ball and a stick.
1693	Children played with alphabet blocks.
1800's	Children played with wooden crafted toys e.g. trains and boats.
1902	The teddy bear was invented named after US president Theodore Roosevelt.
1833 - 1871	First computer invented by Charles Babbage
1876	Alexander Graham Bell won the first U.S. patent for the telephone.
1959	The first Barbie doll was invented.
1990	The Super Nintendo Games Console is released.

Diagrams and Symbols				
				
doll	puppets	building bricks	figures	tablet
				
games console	cuddly toy	electronic toy	bike	football

Background Information
The word 'toy' comes from the old English word meaning 'tool'. Toys are objects that we play with. Toys can be anything from simple pieces of wood and string to modern computers and consoles. Civilisations from all points in time and from all around the world have played with different kinds of toys. Toys have developed and changed as new materials and technologies have become available. Ancient toys were mainly carved from stone as humans did not know how to use other materials yet. Technology is defined as: "machinery and devices developed from scientific knowledge".

What? (Key vocab)	
Spelling	Definition
Decade	A decade is a period of 10 years. These can be used to generally describe periods of times, such as the 80's and 90's.
Construction	Construction toys allow the user to build using blocks or pieces.
Computer games console	A computer system on which the user can play a game.
Board Game	A game that is played on a flat surface involving counter pieces that are moved around the board.
Physical activity toys	Toys that require the user to be active e.g. hula hoop.
Teddy bear	A soft toy in the form of a bear.
Lever	A rigid bar that is pushed/pulled to make the toy move.

Who?	
Theodore Roosevelt.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The teddy bear is named after US President Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt.
Erno Rubik	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rubik's cube was invented in 1974 by Erno Rubik, a Hungarian architect.
Ruth Handler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creator of the Barbie doll.