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Enquiry Question	Sources	Activities	Vocabulary
<p>Who were the first people to live in Coventry?</p>	<p>Aerial photograph of Coventry</p> <p>Historic Descriptions</p> <p>Domesday Book Entry</p> <p>Godiva Painting</p> <p>Cofa's Tree Artwork</p>	<p>How Did Coventry Begin? Information PowerPoint Children will learn about the origins of the city of Coventry, including the exploration of a nearby Roman fort, information about its riverside location, early Saxon farmers, and a Viking invasion. They will be introduced to Leofric and Godiva and find out about their contribution to developing a new priory in Coventry.</p> <p>Analysing Godiva Portrait and Information Activity Children can analyse a painting of the famous Godiva horse ride through town and analyse what they think is happening. An information text is then provided for the children to read afterwards to see if their predictions were right.</p> <p>History Defenders – Celebrating Coventry's Beginning Children can learn about the origins of the city's name and explore the famous 21st century art piece – Cofa's Tree. They will then reflect on what they have learned in the PowerPoint, and through the Godiva activity, to create their own piece of artwork that stands in the city and represents its important origins.</p> <p>Extended Task: What more can you find out about Saint Osburga?</p>	<p>Lunt Fort, Arden Forest, River Avon, River Sherbourne, Swanswell, Saint Osburga, King Canute, Earl Leofric, Godiva, St Mary's Priory, Cofa's Tree</p>
<p>How did early Coventry develop?</p>	<p>Pre 19th century maps/floor plans.</p> <p>Historical Remains</p> <p>Medieval Structure Photographs</p> <p>Sheldon Tapestry</p>	<p>Tapestry of Secrets Analysis Before learning more about Coventry's past, children will analyse a 16th century tapestry which shows the city of Coventry during the medieval period. They will think about what questions the tapestry raises so that they can reflect on their findings after they gain more knowledge.</p> <p>How Did Coventry Develop? Information PowerPoint Children will discover how Coventry developed through the Middle Ages. They will uncover the secrets of a castle, explore the ruins of the first cathedral and uncover what remains of its past today. They will gain an understanding of the growth that took place and how this led to Coventry gaining its city status.</p> <p>Finding Coventry's Lost Cathedral Activity Children will compare a map from the archives to a modern-day aerial view of Coventry. They will use their detective skills to try and place the location of the original cathedral. An answer sheet is provided.</p> <p>History Defenders – Early Coventry Research Activity Children will choose one of the 6 buildings/structures mentioned in the latter half of the PowerPoint and complete a research file on it. They can then gather as a class to discuss their findings. We suggest making a classroom display featuring a map of Coventry with all the locations highlighted so the children's findings can then be displayed. A WAGOL example is provided to guide teaching.</p> <p>Extended Task: Can you find out more about Coventry's city walls?</p>	<p>Ranulph De Gernon, Earl, Bishop, Coventry Castle, Cheylesmore, King Henry II, St Michael's Tower, Spon Street, Caludon Castle, Swanswell Gate, Charter House, Sheldon Tapestry</p>
<p>What industries played a part in Coventry's history?</p>	<p>Historical Photographs</p>	<p>Industrial Coventry PowerPoint This presentation will give children a guided tour of some of the main industries that have developed in Coventry and explore how they are linked to one another. It contains lots of information and photographs that will help them gain an impression of Coventry's remarkable ability to adapt.</p>	<p>Ranulph De Gernon, Earl, Bishop, Coventry</p>

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	<p>Kelly's Directory of Warwickshire, 1896 page</p>	<p>Trade Directory Analysis In this activity, children will use a page from the Kelly's Directory as their historical source and will carry out a scavenger hunt looking for references to some of the different industries that they have learned about.</p> <p>Industrial Timeline This sorting activity will consolidate children's knowledge of the chronology of industry in Coventry. They will take the dates of significant events in the city's industrial history and sort them into chronological order.</p> <p>Extended Task: What can you find out about a famous Coventry business from one of the industries that you have learned about?</p>	<p>Castle, Cheylesmore, King Henry II, St Michaels Tower, Spon Street, Caludon Castle, Swanswell Gate, Charter House, Sheldon Tapestry</p>
<p>What happened in Coventry during World War 2?</p>	<p>Historical Photos</p> <p>Video footage</p> <p>The Mass Observation Archive, 497</p> <p>Bomb Damage Map</p>	<p>Coventry World War 2 PowerPoint Children will learn about World War 2 and how it affected people from Coventry. They will particularly focus on the Coventry Blitz and on the factories in the city.</p> <p>Coventry Cathedral Newspaper Report Using Tom Harrisson's notes, children will demonstrate what they've learned and what they can infer about what it would have been like to live through the Coventry Blitz.</p> <p>Blitz Bomb Damage Children will transfer information from a bomb damage map to a modern-day map to give them an idea of the scale of the destruction caused by the bombing. It will allow them to visualise it using landmarks that they are familiar with today. They will then answer some questions about the bomb damage.</p> <p>Extended Task: Can you find out more about the children who were evacuated away from Coventry?</p>	<p>World War 2, evacuation, Anderson shelter, Morrison shelter, air raid warden, shadow factory, Coventry Blitz, Luftwaffe, bomb, John Laing, Sir Basil Spence.</p>
<p>How did Coventry recover after the war?</p>	<p>Regeneration Photos</p> <p>Aerial photos 1960s</p> <p>architecture Modern day</p> <p>Photos from the John Laing Photographic Collection</p>	<p>Rebuilding Coventry Information PowerPoint Children will learn about the redevelopment of Coventry following the war. They will learn about the plans by Gibson and how these evolved to create the city we know and love today. They will be shown five locations before and after redevelopment.</p> <p>Rebuilding Coventry Photo Pack and Activity Guide Using images, largely from the John Laing Collection, children will infer what they can about the rebuilding of Coventry Cathedral. The provided activity guide will give suggestions of activities and questions to ask while using the photographs.</p> <p>Rebuilding Coventry Personal Account Analysis Children will read an account from an adult who was a child growing up in Coventry during the time of all the regeneration after the war. They will read and discuss the short account in pairs and answer some key questions on the activity sheet.</p> <p>Extended Task: What can you find out about the development of the ring road?</p>	<p>Donald Gibson, exhibition, Broadgate, Owen and Owen, Pool Meadow, John Laing, Coventry Cathedral, Sir Basil Spence.</p>



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At the end of the local history enquiry, children should be given an opportunity to showcase their learning. Below are some ideas for how the children could present their learning about Coventry

Opportunities to showcase learning

Build a mini-Museum

Create a tour booklet about Coventry

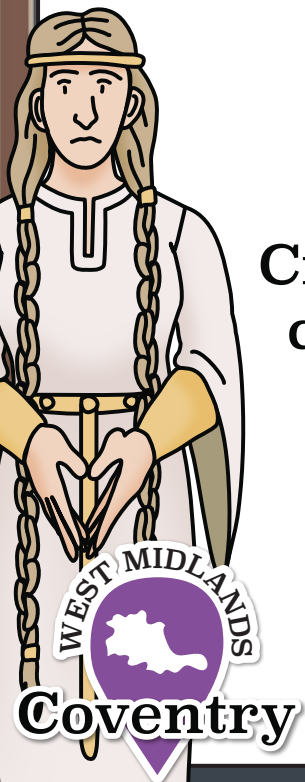
Create a Non-Fiction book about Coventry

Build a mock website about Coventry

Hold an assembly which tells the story of Coventry

Create a school display about Coventry

Write a short play about Coventry



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