

River Bank Primary Knowledge Organiser	Year Five	Autumn 1	Local Study
Key Vocabulary		Important Facts about Luton	
<p><b>Hunter gatherers</b> – A human living a lifestyle where they forage and hunt.</p> <p><b>Straw plait</b> – A method used to plait straw to make hats.</p> <p><b>Rural</b> – In the countryside instead of a town.</p> <p><b>Factories</b> – A building where products are made.</p> <p><b>Revolutions</b> – A forceful overthrow of a government.</p> <p><b>Commercial</b> – Being involved in making profits.</p> <p><b>Liquidation</b> – Converting assets into cash.</p> <p><b>Founding</b> – Being involved in starting something.</p> <p><b>Intermission</b> – A pause or break.</p>	<p><b>Shillings</b> – A former British coin which equals 12p.</p> <p><b>Industry</b> – An activity that processes raw materials and makes goods.</p> <p><b>Distribution</b> – Sharing goods out amongst people.</p> <p><b>Manufacturers</b> – A company that makes goods to sell.</p> <p><b>Production</b> – Making objects from raw materials.</p> <p><b>World War 2</b> – Global world war which lasted 6 years.</p> <p><b>Origins</b> – A point of place where something begins.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luton is only 30 miles from the centre of London.</li> <li>250 000 years ago, <b>hunter gatherers</b> lived by the hillside lakes.</li> <li>Luton's first <b>Wesleyan Chapel</b> was built opposite St May's in 1778.</li> <li>The people of Luton were split by religion and later built their own churches.</li> <li>Luton's greatest change came in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.</li> </ul>	
Important Facts about Hat Factory		Important Facts about Vauxhall	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1800s Luton grew from a small market town to a large industrial centre.</li> <li>During the 1700s fine straw hats became very fashionable.</li> <li>The hats were sold to the lower end of the market because the elite ordered them from abroad.</li> <li>Due to several <b>revolutions</b> and wars importing plaits and hats was not allowed, meaning home production was the only option.</li> <li>After 1815 Luton's plait market was the largest in the region.</li> <li>Between 1820 and 1840 Luton began to take the lead in the hat industry.</li> <li>The markets used to take place on George Street, but by 1860 plait halls had to be built as the <b>industry</b> expanded.</li> <li>By 1939 the craft of plaiting had almost disappeared as the younger generation were not learning the skills.</li> <li>In recent years the number of hat manufacturers in Luton has declined.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vauxhall is one of the oldest established vehicle <b>manufacturers</b> and <b>distribution</b> companies in Great Britain.</li> <li>Vauxhall was founded in 1857 by Alexander Wilson.</li> <li>1863 the company became known as Vauxhall Iron Works.</li> <li>Vauxhall starting making cars in 1903.</li> <li>Vauxhall moved its <b>production</b> to Luton in 1905.</li> <li>During <b>WW2</b> the factory in Luton was bombed in August 1940.</li> <li>After WW2 car production continued in Luton.</li> </ul>	
Important Facts about Luton Airport		Important Facts about Luton Town Football Club	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luton airport can trace its <b>origins</b> back to 1938 when the Borough of Luton owned the site.</li> <li>Luton airport was used to house fighter squadrons in WW2.</li> <li>Luton was not as busy as Heathrow and Gatwick airport.</li> <li>1962 Britannia Airways was based at Luton airport – this is when the airport became commercial.</li> <li>Luton is now one of the fastest growing airports in the country.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luton Town FC was founded in 1885.</li> <li>In 1890 Luton Town FC became professional because they offered their players five shillings a week.</li> <li>In 1894 the club became one of the <b>founding</b> members of Southern League.</li> <li>Three years later Luton became a member of the Football League.</li> <li>By 1920 Luton Town FC returned to Football League.</li> <li>They had three home grounds: Dallow Lane (1885-1897) Dunstable Road (1897-1905) Kenilworth Road (1905-present)</li> </ul> <p>The club's nickname 'The Hatters' reflects Luton's historical connection with the hat making.</p>	

## Quiz

- 1) How far is Luton from London?  
A) 60 miles   B) 40 miles   C) 30 miles   D) 25 miles
- 2) When did Luton grow into a large industrial centre?  
A) 2000s   B) 1800s   C) 1700s   D) 1500s
- 3) How much did the women earn in the factories?  
A) 5 shillings   B) 10 shillings   C) 20 shillings   D) 45 shillings
- 4) What were the hats made of?  
A) Plastic   B) Material   C) Straw   D) Cotton
- 5) Who founded Vauxhall?  
A) Alexander Wilson   B) Henry Wilson   C) Alexander Watson   D) Alexander Williams
- 6) When was Luton Football Team founded?  
A) 1985   B) 1880   C) 1885   D) 1882