

History Knowledge Organiser

Brilliant Buildings and Lovely Landscapes

Year 5

Our learning

In our history lessons this term we are learning about one of the famous buildings (Royal Pavilion) near to where we live, and the **connections** it has with the local area. We will consider some of the **similarities and differences** between the time period it was built in and the modern day. We will learn about why it was built and look at how the building has been used as a venue for different events, as well as its role as a military hospital during World War I. We will discover that the Royal Pavilion is a listed building.



The Pavilion as a military hospital in World War I.

Information

In the mid 1780s, George, Prince of Wales rented a house near the beach in Brighton. Brighton was becoming a popular resort for rich and famous people as it was by the sea and quite close to London. When he had enough money, George improved his house to create a 'marine pavilion' with lots of art and decorative furniture. This was completed in 1808 and had a domed roof and stables for 2 horses. When he became Prince Regent (the monarch) he commissioned John Nash to transform the modest pavilion into the magnificent oriental palace that we see today. Many jobs were created for builders, craftsmen and tradesmen during the building. George's presence in the town helped it to grow in population and prosperity. The Pavilion has been used for concerts and as a museum and was used as a military hospital during World War I.

Vocabulary

Decade— A period of ten years.
Century— a period of a hundred years
Architecture— the practice of designing buildings
Architect— a person who designs buildings
Design— a plan or drawing of something before it is made
Georgian – The period of time when people called George were on the throne (1780– 1830)
Economy -how a country or place is doing in producing and making goods or services and how much money it has
Listed building— a building that has national or historical importance and needs to be protected.

Important Dates

1780s— George, Prince of Wales rented a house in Brighton.
1808—George's marine pavilion is finished.
1811— George becomes Prince Regent (the monarch as his father was ill).
1815—Prince George commissioned the architect John Nash to transform the marine pavilion into an oriental palace.
1975— An arson attack happened at the Pavilion
1987— A hurricane damaged the Pavilion.

