

The Plague



It was a disease spread by rats and fleas which killed more than 25 million people. It was known as the black death as people's skin would turn black.

Knowledge Organiser

Key information and vocabulary.	
ancient	From a long time ago
outbreak	when a disease suddenly starts
centuries	periods of 100 years
eyewitness	Someone who saw the events
chronicles	accounts or records
recount	an account of an event
Black Death	Another name for the plague.
trade	To take part in the exchange of goods
disease	Sickness
infection	A disease in part of the body

Main Events



542	The Plague started in Constantinople
1347	The Plague spread across Europe
1348	The Plague reached England
1664	The Plague returned to London
1666	The Great Fire of London



Society

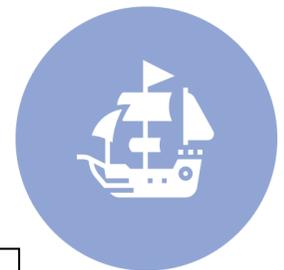
The plague was a disease that spread everywhere and affected both rich and poor people. It sometimes affected whole families. It was difficult to control as they didn't have the right medicines and knowledge.

- Samuel Pepys diary
- Eye witness accounts
- Chronicles and reports



Artefacts

In the 1300s travel around Europe was very common this was because trade brought money and materials to different countries. This travel spread the disease and infection across Europe, meaning millions of people died.



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