

What makes something real?

Topic fact sheet – Toys

Key terms:

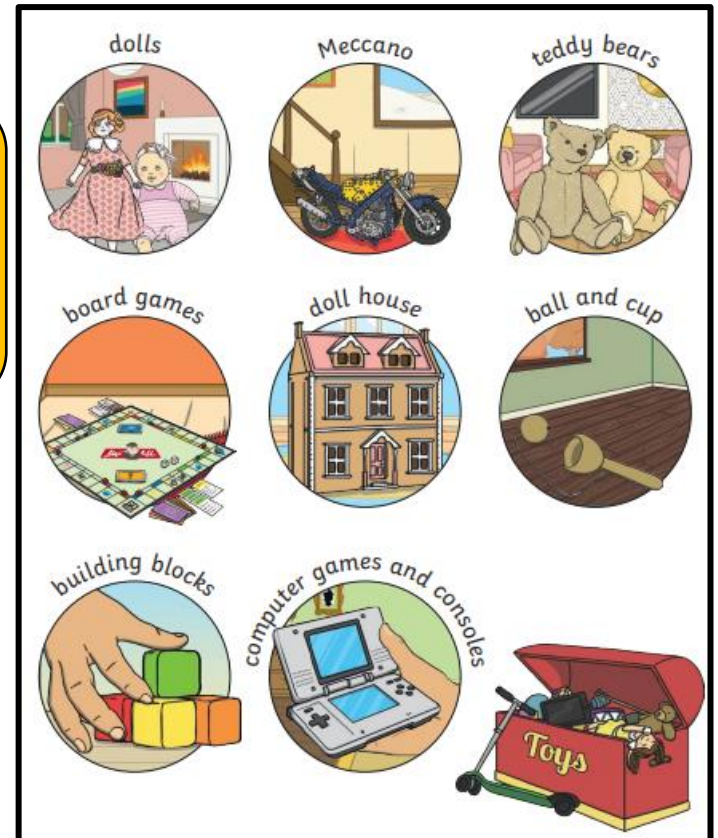
Paper toys	Some toys, like paper windmills, were made out of paper.
Metal Toys	Toy soldiers and some spinning tops were made out of metal.
Plastic toys	Most modern toys are made of plastic. Toy soldiers, dolls and ride-on cars are usually made of plastic.
Victorian	Queen Victoria's reign. 1837-1901.
20th century	The 20th century was 1900-1999.
21st century	We are in the 21st century. It started in the year 2000 and will end in 2099

What were toys made of during the Victorian age?

Toys were mainly made of wood, paper and metal during the Victorian age.

What are modern toys made of?

Modern toys are mainly made of plastic. This is because it is usually safer and easier to make things with.



19th century

Toys: wooden dolls, wooden doll houses, tea sets, ball and cup, spinning top, toys soldiers, leather footballs.



21st century

Toys: handheld games consoles, virtual reality.



20th century

Toys: teddy bears, Barbie dolls, Action Man, electronic toys, computers, games consoles.



How are modern toys different?

Many modern toys use electricity to work. Computers and consoles were invented in the 20th century.