

Year 1 Yellow Autumn: What was Playtime Like at Grove Road in the Past?

Sticky Knowledge

Toys have existed for thousands of years. They were made out of the materials that were available and the time. Even stones and string have been made into toys.

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

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

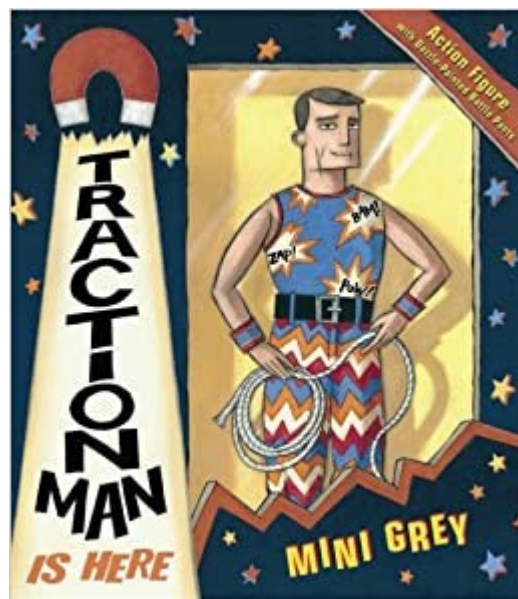
Board games have always been a fun game to play with a friend or as a group. Lots of families in the past would play a board game together on an evening. Lots of families still do this now.

Skipping and hopscotch have been popular playground games through history. Children could play this anywhere, all they needed was a skipping rope or a piece of chalk.

Ole Kirk Christiansen invented Lego in 1949. An inventor makes or discovers a new way of doing something. They might make something new



Key Text



Topic Vocabulary

blackboard	A blackboard would be seen in almost every classroom in the 1960s. Today we have an interactive whiteboard.
chalk	Chalk was used by teachers to write on the blackboard. It was mainly white but there were many colours of chalk.
skipping	A very popular game in the 1960s. It was a long piece of rope which was turned by two children.
marbles	Another popular game was marbles. Many children came to school with a pocketful of marbles.
snakes and ladders	A board game which everyone knew in the 1960s. The board was made up of squares and you would move up a ladder and down the snake.
inkwell	Many desks had a hole in the top right hand corner for ink. This was known as the inkwell.
pen and nib	In most schools children used pens and ink to write. The pens had a nib at the end which was replaced from time to time.