

## Year 4 Summer 2<sup>nd</sup> half What if there was still mining in Nuneaton?

Weel	NC objectives	Big question	REMEMBER	KNOW
			(prior knowledge)	(new knowledge)
1	A local history study.	Does mining matter?	Nuneaton used to have mines.	Mining is the process of extracting useful materials from the earth.  Mined substances include gold, iron ore and coal.  What mining involves.  How mined substances are used.
2		What was mining like in Nuneaton?	Mining is the process of extracting useful materials from the earth. Mined substances include gold, iron ore and coal. How mined substances are used. The location of some mines were in Nuneaton.	Nuneaton was in the Warwickshire coalfield. Rapid growth occurred in 1830s. Steam locomotive contributed to success of local mining industry. Location of pits in Nuneaton and surrounding area, including Stockingford Colliery.
3		Why was mining important in Nuneaton?	Location of pits in Nuneaton.  Mined substances include gold, iron ore and coal.	Warwickshire coalfield produced large coal, needed for use in locomotives. In 1911 one third of the male workforce in Nuneaton were employed as miners. The industry peaked in the early 20th century. Coal mining was a factor in the growth of the town.
4		Why was mining so dangerous?	How materials are mined.	Risks of mining include:  *tunnel collapse.  *exposure to dangerous gases.  *explosions/fires.  *extreme temperatures.  Newdigate Colliery Explosion ~ 1931.
5		Why did the miners	Why mining was important in	The miners' strike was in 1984-85.
		strike?	Nuneaton.	Striking to prevent closure of collieries.

			Miners from Daw Mill Colliery in Arley went on strike.
6	What caused the decline of mining in Nuneaton?	Dangers of mining. Why mining was so important.	Reasons for decline of mining include:  *decline in demand  *increased competition from other countries  *new cheaper sources of energy were discovered  *became cheaper to import coal.  The industry declined rapidly in the 1950s and 1960s.  The last coal mine in Nuneaton closed in 1968.  The last Warwickshire coal mine at nearby Daw Mill closed in 2013.