

Project 3 Unit 4

ENGLISH ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

History: the plague

TASK 1

Let's look at some words and expressions first. You might find it useful when reading the text.

Translate the words into your own language:

- to break out
- the plague
- a flea
- to spread
- a medieval town
- mud
- a narrow street
- outbreak



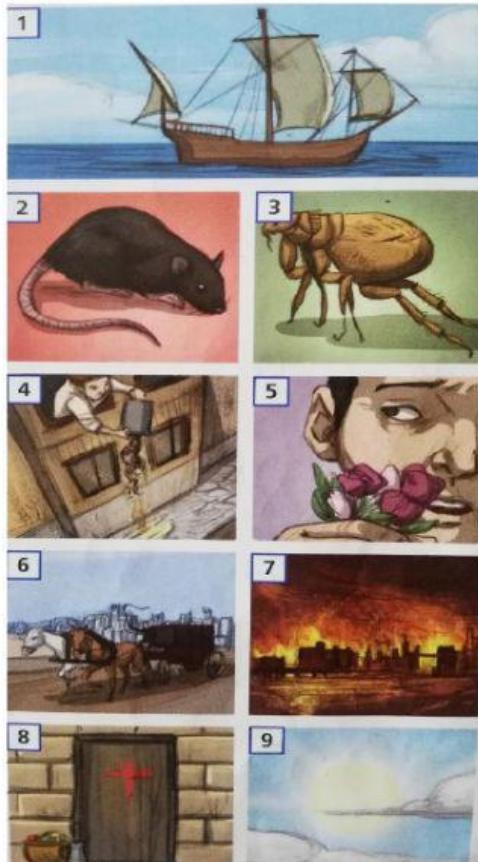
TASK 2

Now read and listen to the text on page 53. Then do the quiz.

1. The bubonic plague was also called
 - a) the Dark Evil
 - b) the Red Hand
 - c) the Black Death
2. The plague came from
 - a) Europe
 - b) Asia
 - c) America
3. The plague spread quickly because
 - a) a lot of people traveled by ship
 - b) people moved house a lot
 - c) towns were very dirty
4. The Great Plague of London broke out
 - a) in the summer of 1665
 - b) in the winter of 1665
 - c) in the spring of 1665
5. The people who got the plague usually died in...
 - a) three days
 - b) three weeks
 - c) three hours
6. Most buildings in medieval towns were made of...
 - a) brick or stone
 - b) wood or mud
 - c) mud or dry grass
7. When somebody got the plague, a ... was painted on the door.
 - a) blue circle
 - b) yellow triangle
 - c) red cross
8. The plague never returned to London, because
 - a) cats and dogs killed all the rats
 - b) doctors discovered new medicines
 - c) a fire burnt down the old city

TASK 3

Copy the sentences from the text to describe how the pictures are connected to the story.



- 1.
- 2.
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- 9.

TASK 4

Can you compare the life during the bubonic plague with the corona virus situation? Write the similarities in the middle and differences on the left and right.

