

Elizabeth Fry





LO: To know about Elizabeth Fry

- To know who Elizabeth Fry is.
- To know what Elizabeth Fry did.

Who is Elizabeth Fry?

- Elizabeth Fry was a brave reformer who helped people in prison.
- She believed even people in prison should be treated well.
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjkj382/articles/z76jvk7>



Elizabeth Fry's Life

- Elizabeth Fry was born on **21st May 1780** in a time where Britain was changing.
- She married Joseph Fry in 1800.
- She died in 1845 at the age of 65.
- She came from a family of bankers.



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Elizabeth Fry's Family Life

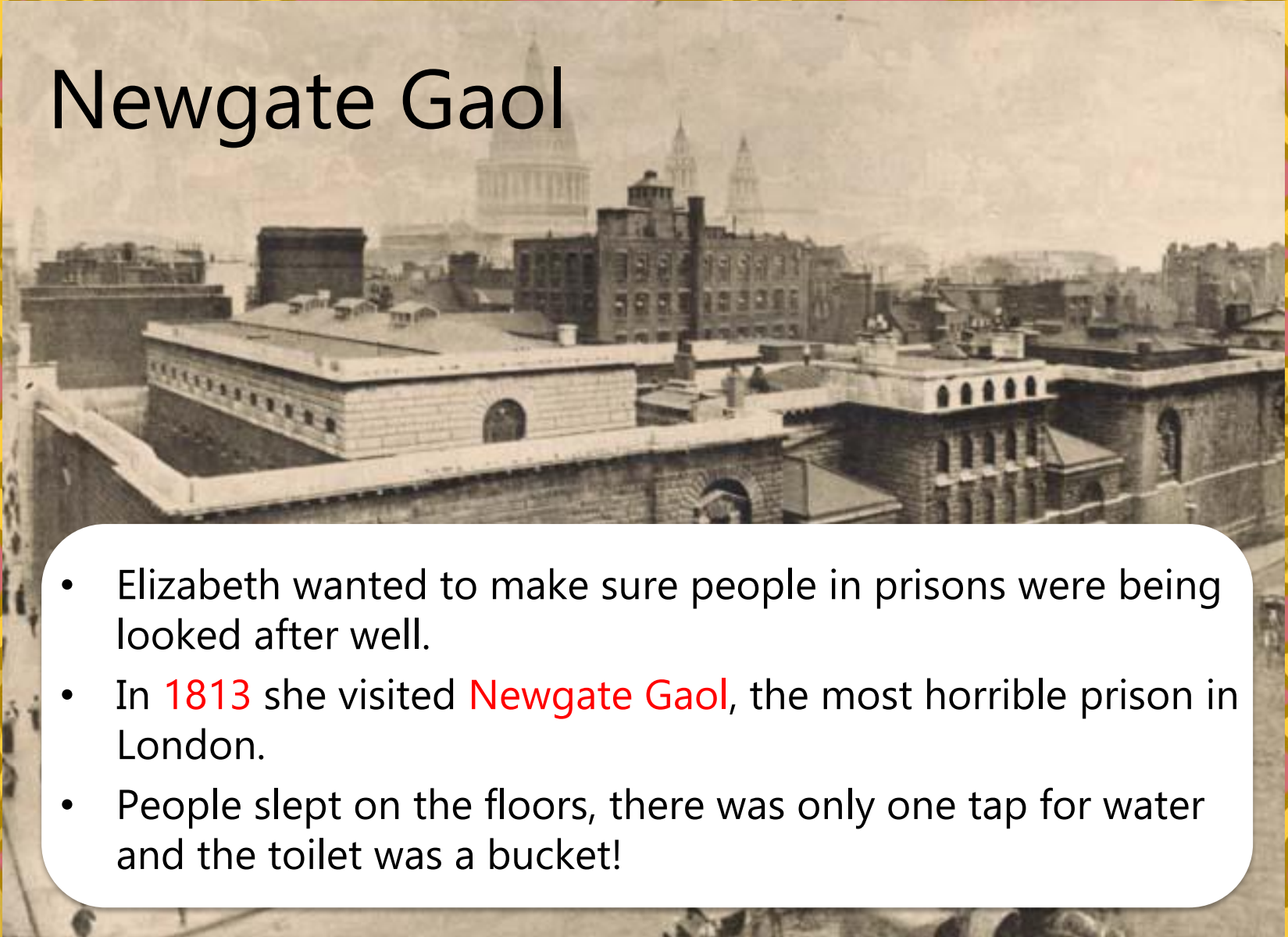
- Elizabeth's mother was a strong believer of helping those less fortunate and would give food and clothes to those who needed it.
- Her mother died when she was only **12 years old** and had to look after her brothers and sisters.



Out in the Real World

- Elizabeth helped people from a young age and started a **Sunday school for poor children**.
- She was only 18 when she decided she needed to do something important with her life.
- After marrying, she had **11 children** while still helping others.

Newgate Gaol



- Elizabeth wanted to make sure people in prisons were being looked after well.
- In **1813** she visited **Newgate Gaol**, the most horrible prison in London.
- People slept on the floors, there was only one tap for water and the toilet was a bucket!

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CONVICTS EXERCISING IN PENTONVILLE PRISON.





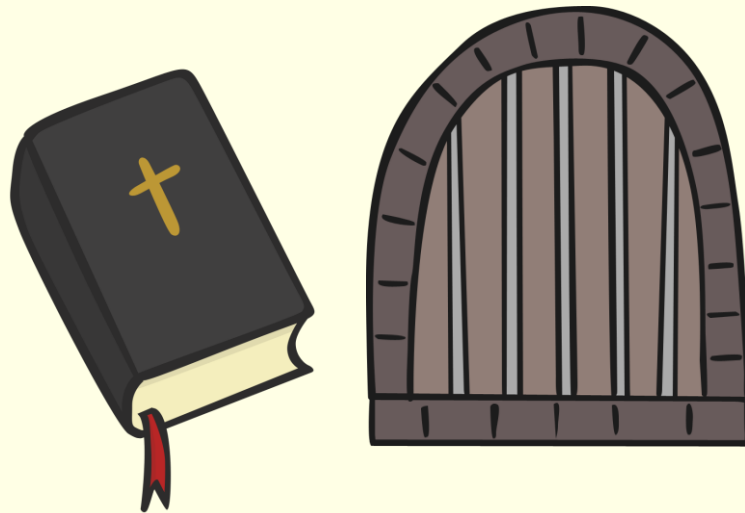
Newgate Gaol

- Elizabeth wanted to help the **women and children** that were in the prison.
- The children were in there with murderers and only there because their mothers were in there.
- Some women were hanged for using fake money!



The Reforms

- Elizabeth took clean clothes into the prisons and set up a school so people could learn to read the bible.
- In 1817 she set up a society to make prisons better.
- She was the first woman to campaign for better prisons.



Interesting facts

- You can see a picture of Elizabeth Fry on the bank of a £5 note.
- Canada celebrates National Elizabeth Fry week in May.
- Her husband's family were famous for making chocolate.



Can you spot Elizabeth Fry in this picture? What do you think is happening in the picture? What questions would you like to ask about this picture?



Tasks

1. Answer the comprehension questions. Write the answers into your workbook in full sentences.
2. Pretend you are Elizabeth Fry, can you write about what you saw in the prison, how it made you feel and what you did to make conditions better?
3. Create a poster showing information about Elizabeth Fry.
What to include: her childhood, what she did, what happened after she'd made the changes and a picture.

Plenary



1. What is Elizabeth Fry **famous for**?
2. Where can we see her **picture** on a day to day basis?
3. What was the name of the prison she visited?
4. Who did she help in the prisons?



THE END