

What's happening in the news this week?

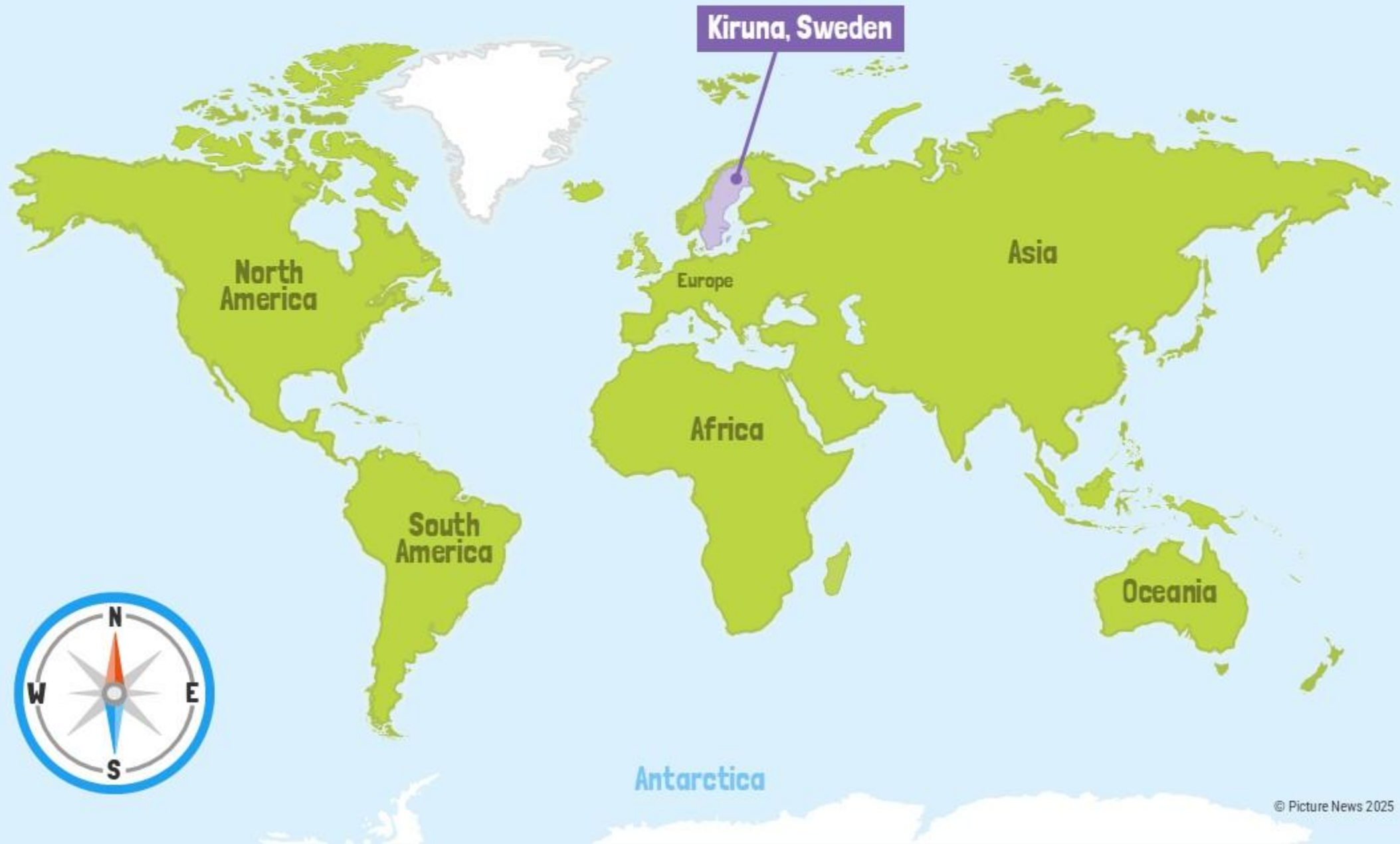


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Let's have a look at this week's poster!

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This week's story looks at events related to ...



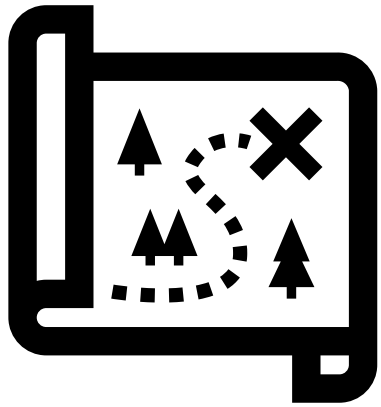


What makes a building special?



located

'the exact position or location of something or someone'



re + located = relocated

'to move to a new position or location'

‘pre-1950 building’

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This gives us a clue about how old the building is. **Pre-** means before.

‘The building was built before 1950.’



Let's look at this week's story

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Learn more about this week's story [here](#).
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).





Read through the information below, all about the church's move.

The church that moved!

What happened?

A huge wooden church in Sweden was moved 5km to a new place.

When was it built?

Why was it moved?

How was it moved?

Why is it special?



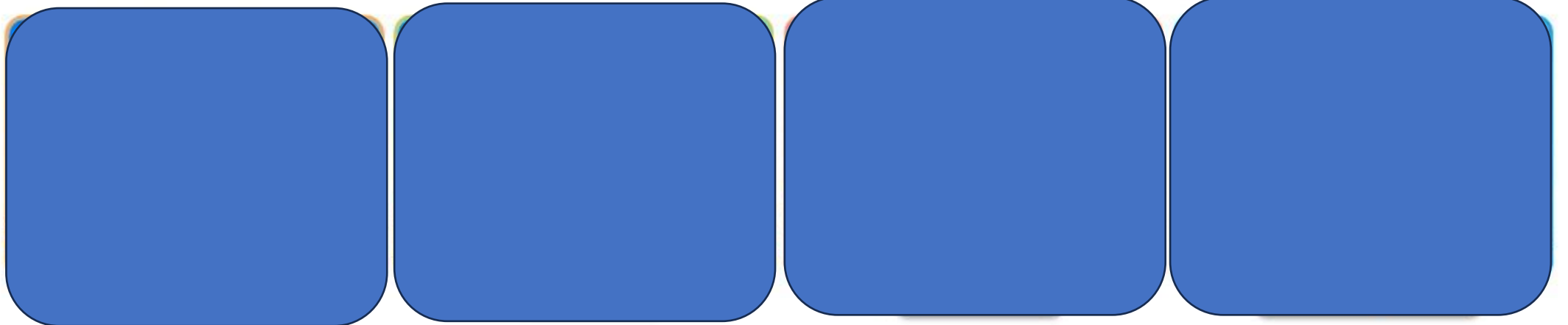
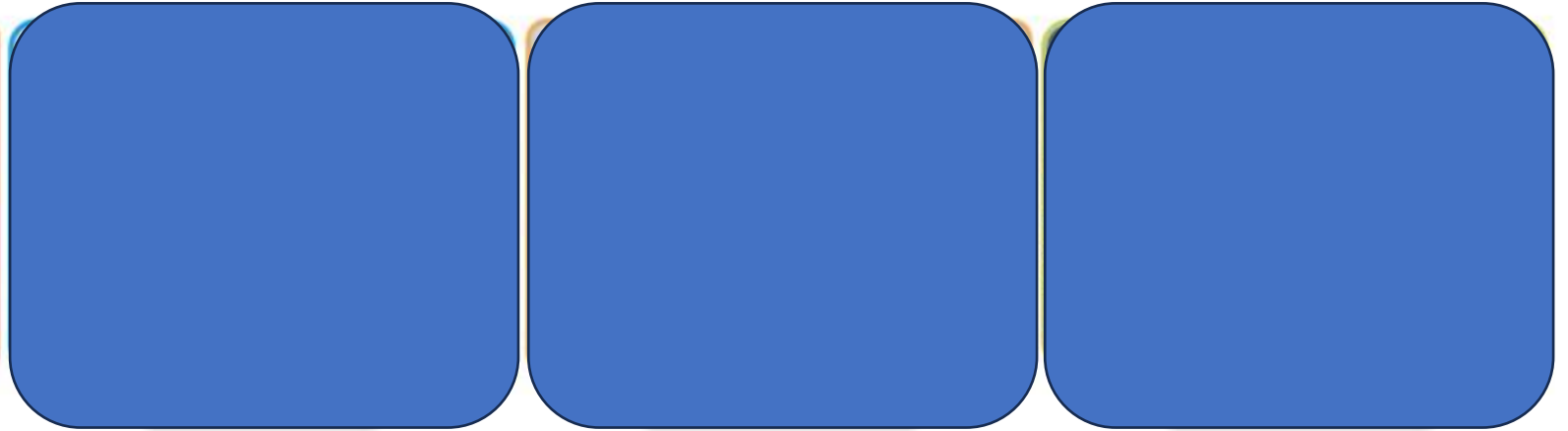
Pictured above: The journey the church made in Sweden.
Source: LKAB.



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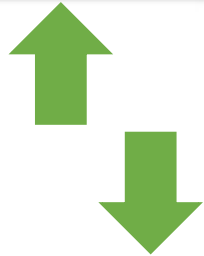
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Dancing House



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Burj Khalifa



Eiffel Tower

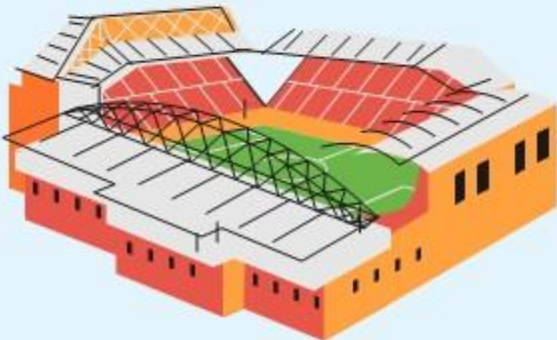


Marina Bay Sands

Reflection



Buildings can be special for many different reasons – for example, their history, design, purpose, or because of the people who use them.





Mutual Respect and Tolerance

The church has travelled across the city to reach safer ground. When people move location and join a new community, we should be welcoming and respectful.

How does it make me feel?



sad

despondent
disconsolate
dismal
doleful
downhearted
forlorn
gloomy
melancholic
miserable
woeful
wretched

angry

aggrieved
annoyed
discontented
disgruntled
distressed
exasperated
frustrated
indignant
offended
outraged
resentful
vexed

happy

beaming
buoyant
cheery
contented
delighted
enraptured
gleeful
glowing
joyful

confused

addled
baffled
bemused
bewildered
disorientated
indistinct
muddled
mystified
perplexed
puzzled

excited

animated
elevated
enlivened
enthusiastic
exhilarated
exuberant
thrilled

worried

agitated
anxious
apprehensive
concerned
disquieted
distraught
distressed
disturbed
fretful
perturbed
troubled
uneasy

overwhelmed

engulfed
inundated
overburdened
overloaded
saturated
submerged
swamped

afraid

alarmed
apprehensive
daunted
fearful
frantic
horrified
petrified
terrified

guilty

ashamed
compunctious
contrite
culpable
penitent
responsible
rueful

jealous

bitter
covetous
desirous
envious
envying
resentful
wary

thankful

appreciative
grateful
gratified
indebted
obliged
relieved

shocked

astonished
astounded
disconcerted
distressed
dumbfounded
horrified
staggered
startled
stunned
surprised

disgusted

affronted
appalled
horrified
repelled
repulsed
revolted
sickened

inspired

activated
encouraged
exhilarated
galvanised
influenced
motivated

embarrassed

ashamed
awkward
chagrined
demeaned
discomposd
humiliated
self-conscious
uncomfortable
uneasy
unsettled

interested

absorbed
captivated
curious
engaged
enthralled
fascinated
gripped
intrigued
riveted



Look at the resource below, which shares some other buildings that have been moved.



Marble Arch, UK

When: Built between 1827 and 1833 as a grand entrance to Buckingham Palace.

Why it moved: In 1847, it was moved to make space when Buckingham Palace was expanded. It was taken down and rebuilt by 1851, at its new site near Hyde Park.



Abu Simbel Temples, Egypt

When: Carved into rock over 3,000 years ago by Pharaoh Ramses II.

Why it moved: In the 1960s, it was at risk of flooding from the Aswan High Dam. It was cut into large blocks, and carefully reassembled higher up the hillside. It is one of Egypt's most famous attractions.

Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, USA

When: Completed in 1870 in North Carolina.

Why it moved: Rising sea levels and erosion made its original spot unsafe. In 1999, engineers lifted and moved it almost a mile inland. It is the tallest brick lighthouse in the USA.



Cooks' Cottage, Australia

When: Built in 1755 in North Yorkshire, England.

Why it moved: In 1934, it was bought as a gift for the city of Melbourne to celebrate its 100th birthday. It was dismantled brick by brick, shipped to Australia, and rebuilt. It is now a historic attraction in Melbourne's Fitzroy Gardens.



Which one of these relocations do you find most surprising?
Do you think all old buildings should be saved?



What makes a building special?



Media Literacy

What feelings or emotions does the story try to create?



Explanation: Let's explore the story further, and look at how the church's relocation can be described in news reports.



Analyse



Evaluate



Research



Act

Questions to Discuss

- What are descriptive words? What is their purpose?
- Can the way a news story is described make the reader/listener feel certain emotions?
- Can the descriptive words a journalist includes in a story change how we view a news event?

Reflection

Powerful, descriptive words are sometimes included in news reports. We can think about whether or not these words impact our thoughts about news events.

Activity

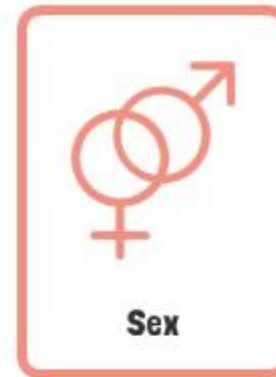
Create your own word bank, listing the descriptive words you think link to this week's story. Use a dictionary and thesaurus to help.

Then, compare your word bank with a partner. Are your word choices similar or different? Why do you think that is?

Protected Characteristics



Different buildings and places of worship can be important to people, based on their religion or beliefs. We should never be discriminated against because of a religion or belief.



Sex



Sexual
Orientation



Age



Disability



Gender
Reassignment



Marriage and
Civil Partnership



Pregnancy
and Maternity



Race



Religion
or Belief



UN Rights of the Child



The building was relocated to protect it. Adults should make choices which have the best interests of children in mind. This could mean trying to preserve important history and places, so that children can learn from and experience them.



Useful Vocabulary



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Can you use them in your writing this week?

Picture News



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- Look at this week's poster and describe what you can see. What do you believe is happening to the building? Where in the world do you think it could be?
- Read through the information found on the assembly resource, all about the church's move. Can you imagine what it was like for people there to see the church being transported?
- Watch this week's useful video showing the church's relocation. Why do you believe people went to so much effort to move the church?
- Can you think of special buildings in your local area? E.g., your school, home, place of worship. What is it about the building that makes it special? How would you feel if it were moved?
- Do you know of any famous or well-known buildings around the world? Talk about why they are important.
- In your view, what is it that makes a building special? Is it what the building looks like? What people do inside it? Could it be the history and memories attached to it?
- Discuss why different buildings can be important to each of us.

Reflection

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Picture News



KS1 focus

What are some of the most famous buildings in the world?



- What are buildings for? Are they for shelter, learning, working, or perhaps something else? Can you name some different types of building we see every day (e.g., schools, shops, houses, libraries)?
- Some buildings are so unusual or beautiful that people travel from all over the world to see them. Why do you think people enjoy visiting these buildings?
- Look at resource 1, which shows some famous buildings. What do you notice about their shapes, colours or sizes? How are they the same as or different from the buildings near your home?
- Do you think a building can tell a story about the people who built it? In your opinion, what kind of stories might an old church or a tall skyscraper tell?
- Imagine you could visit one of the buildings shown on resource 1. Which one would you choose to go to? Why?
- Do you think a building has to be very big or old to be special? Can newer or smaller buildings be special too?
- Are there any popular buildings in your local area? What makes them special?

Reflection

A building does not necessarily have to be old or famous to be special. It can simply be because of what it means to us.

Picture News



KS2 focus

What other buildings have been moved in the past?



- Have you ever seen a building in your local area that's very old or very special to people? What do you think happens if the land around it becomes unsafe?
- Why might people want to move a building instead of knocking it down? Sometimes, buildings are so important that people decide to move them instead of letting them be destroyed.
- Do you think it would be easy or difficult to move a building? Why?
- Look at resource 2, which shows some buildings that have been moved before. Which do you find most surprising?
- What do you think is more important – saving an old building, or making space for new ones?
- Moving a building can take a very long time and a lot of planning. What do you think is involved in the planning and preparation? Who might be responsible?
- Engineers are in charge of this job! They carefully lift buildings using special machines and place them on wheels, tracks or rollers, so they can be moved safely.
- Do you think all buildings should stay where they were originally built? Is it okay to move them sometimes? Why do you think so?

Reflection

Moving a building takes a lot of planning and teamwork. It helps to keep old and special buildings safe – this way, more people can see and enjoy them for a long time.



KS2 follow-up ideas

Option 1

Imagine you are an engineer, in charge of moving a very old or special building in your area to a safe place.

Think about:

- Which building will you move?
- Why are you moving it?
- How will you lift/transport it? Will it need rollers, tyres, special trailers or something else?
- What route will you take? Will you go via busy or quieter roads? Why?

Work in small groups to make a plan for moving it safely. Once your plan is ready, present it to the class. Explain why your plan would keep the building safe during the move.

Option 2

Using resource 2, create a timeline of when buildings have been moved in the past.

Think about:

- When was each building moved? What order do they fall in?
- Which building was moved first/last?
- Add details onto your timeline, such as where it was moved from/to.

Once your timeline is ready, talk about which part you find most interesting. Which buildings do you think would have been the easiest/most difficult to move? Why? In your view, would it have been easier/more difficult to relocate a building in the 1800s vs the 1990s? How so?



KS1 follow-up ideas

Option 1

Create a poster to let people know that the church in Kiruna, Sweden, has moved. Your poster can include:

- A drawing of the church.
- Why it has moved.
- How people moved it.

What materials will you use to create your poster? E.g., pens, crayons, paints, pencils.

Then, display your poster to share the story of the building!

Option 2

Use construction materials to create your own special building!

Think about:

- What will you use to create your building? E.g., junk modelling materials, wooden blocks, construction bricks.
- Will you design your building on paper before you begin constructing?
- What shapes will you include in your building? Will it be tall, wide, something else?

When your building is finished, show it to a friend or the class. What do you like most about your building? What do you like about your friends' buildings? Why not attempt to move it to a new location!



This week's useful websites

This week's news story

www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cde3xp4xlw9o

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Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your response to this week's news story with someone at home. Why do you think the decision was made to move the church whole, rather than dismantle and rebuild it?
- > Are there any well-known buildings in your local area? What is their purpose?
- > What buildings are important to you? What is it about them that makes them important?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Weigh In Day

A very exciting day has just happened at London Zoo! All animals that live there have taken part in a massive yearly weigh in. The people who work there try to weigh and measure each animal in one day! They do this to make sure they are all healthy and growing as they should be. The results are then shared with other zoos. Some of the animals who got onto the scales were Gizmo and Kiwi the capybaras, Humboldt penguins, giant Galapagos tortoises, the ring-tailed lemur troop, giant katydids, and magnolia land snails. Some creatures were even tempted onto the scales with their favourite treats. Daniel Simmonds, from London Zoo, said, 'We look to weigh as



Pictured: A capybara.
Source: London Zoo @zslondonzoo, on X.

many of our animals as we can and log everything onto our database and then share that information with other zoos'.

Do you know how much a capybara weighs?

Do you think it would be easy to get all the animals to stay still enough to be weighed?

Record Breakers!



The famous Guinness World Records (GWR) is 70 years old! The book began on 27th August 1955, to celebrate weird and wonderful achievements. Many records have been broken lots of times over the years since then, but there are still some records that haven't yet been claimed! GWR's Craig Glenday said the records are 'there for the taking'.

Pictured: Guinness World Record holders.
Source: Guinness World Records on Facebook.

Here are a few of them:

'Most whoopee cushions sat on in one minute', 'The fastest time to blow a stamp 10 metres', 'The furthest distance bottle flip', 'The most high-fives in 30 seconds', and 'The fastest 400-metre sack race'. **Would you like to hold a world record? Which one?**

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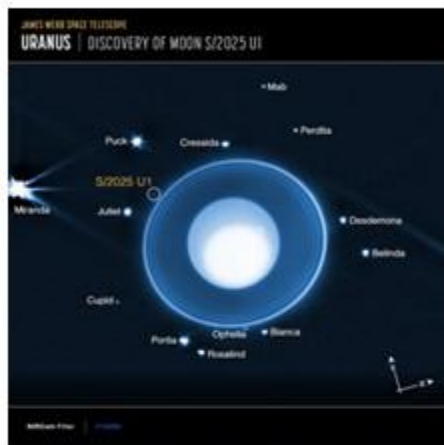


Yes, we should all try to look after our world.

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New Moon

Uranus has a new moon! Astronomers, looking at images taken by the James Webb Space Telescope's Near-Infrared Camera, have discovered a new moon orbiting Uranus! The moon, called S/2025 U1, joins the planet's other 28 known moons – 13 of which can also be seen in the released image (right). Big planets, like Uranus, have a greater gravitational pull, so are likely to have more moons than smaller planets, like Earth. They capture asteroids or comets into their orbit and keep them there as moons. The ice giant is the seventh



Pictured: Image of moon S/2025 U1 and 13 of the Uranus' other moons. **Source:** James Webb Space Telescope on Facebook.

planet from the Sun; only Neptune is further away. This makes it very cold – the average temperature is -190°C ! Traditionally, Uranus' moons are named after literary characters. This was started by William Herschell, who identified the planet in 1781, and named its two largest moons after William Shakespeare's Fairy Queen and King – Titania and Oberon.

Do you know any facts about planet Uranus and its moons?

Do you think it is important to study space and the planets in our solar system?



Pictured: An image of planet Uranus. **Source:** Canva.

Labubu Mania

Labubu dolls are furry, mischievous-looking toys that have become a huge craze around the world. They were created by Hong Kong artist, Kasing Lung, and first appeared in a storybook series, called 'The Monsters', in 2015. A few years later in 2019, the company, Pop Mart, turned Labubu into soft toys. The character is described as an elvish creature, who is kind-hearted and always wants to help, but often ends up doing the opposite! Since then, Labubu has created dolls in many different colours, styles and outfits. The most popular Labubus are small pendants, around 15cm tall, which people like to clip onto their bags. They are often sold in 'blind boxes', meaning buyers don't know which one they are getting until they open it! Labubus became even more famous after celebrities, like Blackpink's Lisa, Dua Lipa and Rihanna, were seen showing them off.



Pictured: A Labubu doll. **Source:** Canva.

Would you like to own a Labubu? Which one would you choose?

Do we have a duty to fix damage in nature?



Sometimes I feel like my actions on their own aren't enough to make a big difference to nature. Everyone needs to work together.
Max

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