

Governance: The British Empire

What impact did these events have on 'society and governance at the time?'

What impact did these events have on Britain today?

What were the key causes and consequences of these events?

Key Questions:

- What was the British Empire and why was it formed?
- What was the impact of the British Empire on England at the time?
- What can we learn from first-hand accounts about the slave trade?
- What does the abolition of slavery tell us about changes in society at the time?
- What caused the end of the British Empire?
- What was the impact at the time, and society and government today?

Key Vocabulary

Governance - the act, process, manner, or power of exercising authority and control.

British Empire - the collective name for the lands formerly ruled by the British monarch.

Slave trade - buying and selling human beings as slaves.

abolition – the act of getting rid of something.

colony - a country or area under the full or partial political control of another country and occupied by settlers from that country.

commodity - something that can be bought and sold.

Commonwealth - an international, political association consisting of the UK together with states that were previously part of the British Empire

Empire - a group of nations or peoples under one ruler or government.

enslavement - the act of making someone a slave.

Plantation - a large farm or estate used for growing commodities.

trade - the act of exchanging or buying and selling goods.

Key People and Events

The Transatlantic Slave Trade



The British Empire



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