## How do our favourite toys and games compare with those of children in the 1960s?

Toys from the 1960s.



Jack in the box



Spinning top





soldiers



Meccano

Which were the most popular toys and games of the 1960s?

How were toys and games of the 1960s different to today?

How have toys and games changed since 1960?

What did Sir Tim Berners-Lee invent in 1989 and how has this change affected toys and games and other aspects of life since then?



Sir Tim Berners-Lee

In 1989 Sir Tim Berners-Lee invented the World Wide Web. A lot of our toys now our interactive or use Wi-Fi to allow you to control them.

## How did toy bears come to be named after President Theodore Roosevelt?

It all started with a hunting trip President Roosevelt took in 1902 in Mississippi. After three days of hunting, other members of the party had spotted bears, but not Roosevelt. Now what? The President's bear hunt would be a failure! The next day, the hunt guides tracked down an old black bear. The guides tied the bear to a willow tree and called for the President. Here was a bear for him to shoot! But Roosevelt took one look at the old bear and refused to shoot it. At about the same time, a Germany company, Steiff, started making stuffed bears. Margaret Steiff earned her living by sewing, first by making stuffed elephants, then other animals. In 1903, an American saw a stuffed bear she had made and ordered many of them. This became the 'teddy' bear.

Key Vocabulary	
compare	To think about how things are different and how they are similar.
electronic	Something that uses electricity.
interactive	A computer programme or game that gives the user choices to control what happens.
kaleidoscope	A toy consisting of a tube with mirrors and pieces of coloured glass or paper inside, whose reflections produce changing patterns when the tube is turned around.
modern	New or about the present.
new	Not used or owned before
old	Something that has existed for a long time.
past	What has already happened.
present	What is happening now.
questionnaire	A list of questions given to different people to find out information.
Wi-Fi	Wireless networking technology that uses radio waves to provide wireless high-speed Internet and network connections.

