History Knowledge Organiser – Crime & Punishment

Key Vocabulary

Word	Definition
Smuggling	Secretly importing good to avoid paying the customs men
Transportation	taking prison convicts to spend years away from home in a distant land such as Australia
Treason	crime of plotting against the monarch or country
Vagrant	person who wandered from place to place in search of work.
Execute	Put someone to death
Heresy	Beliefs not allowed by the Church
Outlaw	someone on the run to escape justice
Poaching	entering land illegally to steal animals

Key Learning

1. How the nature of crimes and punishments changed over 1000 years and be able to place the main ones in chronological order

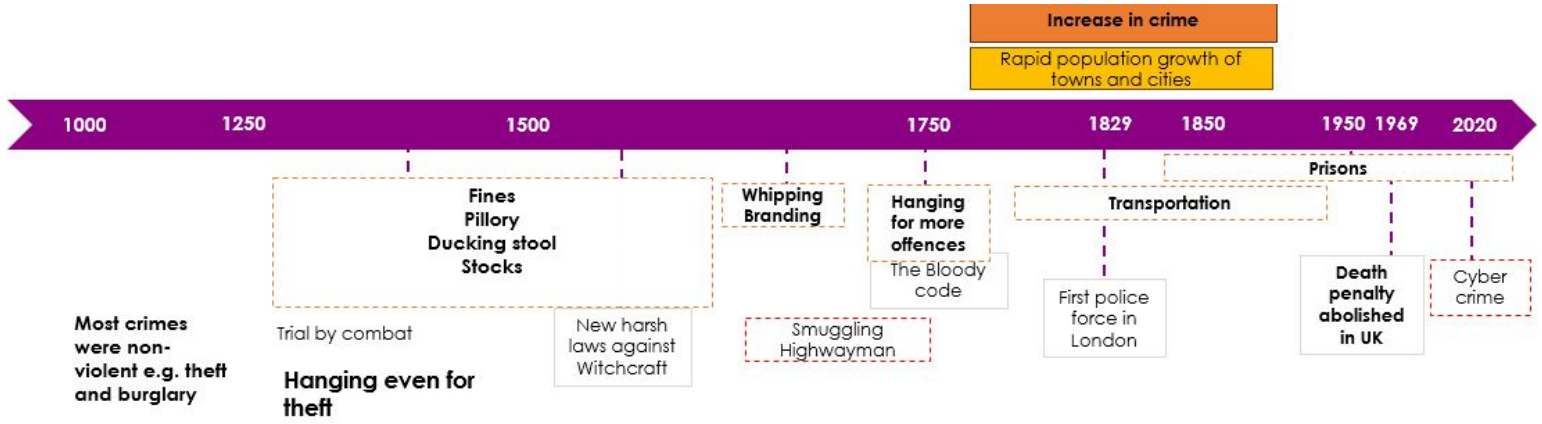
2. How some punishments were introduced for a short time and then replaced with others e.g. the Bloody Code and Transportation

3. That society's attitude to crime has changed over time and has become less harsh

4. Some punishments that we think have been around for hundreds of years are actually relatively recent e.g. growth of prisons in Victorian times

5. Changes in society often bring about an increase in crime e.g. the growth of towns and cities in the early 19th century.

6. That new crimes are always appearing, such as cyber crime, causing the police to learn new methods of dealing with it.

What we have already learnt

The Anglo-Saxons and Vikings and some punishments and crimes from that period