HEATHROW HISTORY ACTIVITY

45 mins

Age 7 – 11
Skills needed: Problem solving, writing

Heathrow Airport has been open for 75 years, helping to connect friends and family across the world for decades.

Over the years, more and more people across the world have travelled to and from Heathrow – the airport has expanded by building new terminals, baggage systems and shops.

Task A

Read through the below list of key moments in Heathrow History – they are muddled up and you have to put them in order from oldest to newest.

You can do this by drawing lines from the correct dates to the events, or by drawing a timeline on a piece of paper and adding the events in the correct order.

Why not get creative and add drawings eg. Could you draw the Queen opening Terminal 5?

The Airport opened

His Royal Highness Prince Charles and Princess Diana opened Terminal 4

2002   1986   1966   2015

Renamed from London Airport to Heathrow Airport

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2008   1946

ITV started filming 'Britain's Busiest Airport' at Heathrow

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2012   2018

Her Majesty the Queen opened Terminal 5

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Answers

Dates and events in the correct order:

Date	Event
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Task B

Create your own headline and draw pictures to show what happened.
Remember to include important information such as:

- What happened?
- When did it happen?
- Who was involved?
- Where did it happen?
- Why did it happen?

You can use the internet to help your research

Pick your favourite key moment in Heathrow History and write a news report for it using the template provided on the next page.

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Newspaper template

Here is your newspaper article template. Print off this one to use or draw a similar one on your piece of paper.

Title

Photo

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Photo caption

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