

**Battle of the Somme** - An important battle that took place in France during WWI.

**cenotaph** - A large monument built to commemorate a group of people buried elsewhere.

**Elisabethville** - A makeshift town that was built in Gateshead to house Belgian refugees.

**Blitz** - A fierce bombing campaign by the Germans against Britain in 1940-41.

**rationing** - The act of limiting the amount of food and goods people could buy.

**evacuation** - The act of leaving an area for your own safety.

**Holidays at Home** - A scheme devised by the government to boost people's spirits during WW2.

**Saltwell Park** - A grand Victorian park in the heart of Gateshead.

**Gateshead Stadium** - A large international sports stadium in Gateshead.

**Garden Festival** - An event that took place in 5 locations around the country in the 1980s and 90s.

**Angel of the North** - A large art sculpture in Gateshead, designed by Antony Gormley.

**Millennium Bridge** - The world's first ever tilting bridge.

**Baltic Centre** - A former Hovis flour mill, now a contemporary arts centre.

**Marley Hill Colliery** - The last working coal mine in the Gateshead area. It closed in 1983.

**pitmen** - Coal miners.

**pit pony** - A horse or pony used underground in mines for pulling loads of coal.



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**keel** - A flat-bottomed boat used for loading ships carrying coal.

**iron works** - A place where iron is smelted or iron goods are made.

**foundry** - A workshop or factory for casting metal.

**collier** - A coal miner.

**Joseph Skipsey** - A collier and poet from the Victorian era who was known as 'The Pitman Poet'.

**wharf** - A level quayside area where a ship is moored to load and unload.

**Joseph Swan** - An early developer of the incandescent lightbulb who lived and worked in Gateshead.

**incandescent carbon lamp** - The original lightbulb developed by Joseph Swan.

**Underhill** - Joseph Swan's house in the Low Fell area of Gateshead.

**Emily Davies** - A woman who grew up in Gateshead and went on to campaign for women's rights to higher education and to vote.

**suffrage** - The right to vote in political elections.

**higher education** - The courses and qualifications that people take after the age of 18.

**Ambrose Crowley** - An ironmonger who founded the Crowley Iron Works at Winlaton.

**Crowley Iron Works** - An ironworks at Winlaton that employed many people from the area.

**World War 1** - A global conflict that took place from 1914 to 1918.

**World War 2** - A global conflict that took place from 1939 to 1945.

**regiment** - A unit in the army commanded by a lieutenant.

**Romans** - People from the Roman Empire who invaded Britain in AD43.

**Pons Aelius** - The fort and bridge the Romans founded in Gateshead/Newcastle.

**Gateshead** - The Latin name for the settlement of Gateshead.

**Bottle Bank** - The Anglo-Saxon name for the settlement in Gateshead.

**Durham Road** - The site of the original Roman road into Gateshead.

**Hadrian** - A Roman emperor who ordered the building of Hadrian's Wall.

**William the Conqueror** - A Norman king who invaded Britain and took control.

**Gateshead Fell** - The location of a key battle during the Norman invasion.

**St Mary's Church** - An Anglo-Saxon church in Gateshead.

**Walcher** - The Bishop of Durham who was murdered in 1080.

**Harrying** - The term used for repeated attacks by the Normans, especially on the North.

**manor** - An estate of land ruled by a wealthy family.

**coal** - A hard, black substance that is dug from the earth in pieces and burned to produce heat or power.

**Boldon Book** - A book containing an 1183 survey of the land belonging to the Bishop of Durham.

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