

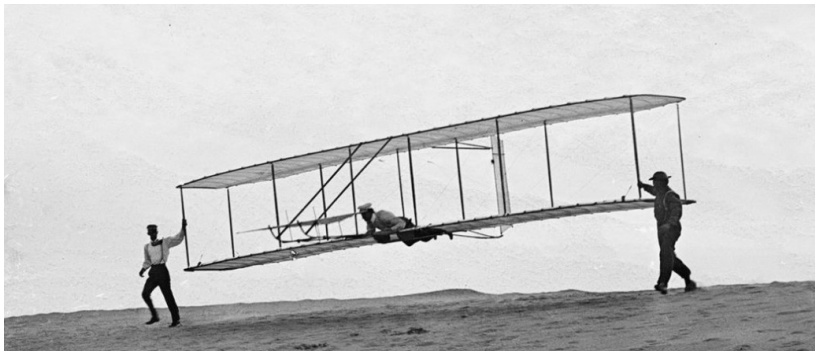
Y2 HISTORY KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER: **HOW DID THE FIRST FLIGHT CHANGE THE WORLD?**

Key Vocabulary

Achievement	Something done successfully after lots of effort.	Artefact	An object made by a human, usually of historical interest.
Discoveries	Things that have been found for the first time	Evidence	The information we can use to work out what has happened in the past.

Key Ideas

- ☐ The first flight of an engine powered aeroplane was by the Wright brothers on 17th December 1903. The Wright brothers built on the discoveries of many others and the aeroplane has continued to develop ever since. The aeroplane has brought people closer together to live, work and trade and is part of everyday life for millions across the world.
- ☐ Powered flight is one of the most influential breakthrough events in history. Millions of people travel on passenger aircraft every day between cities across the world. The aeroplane has made the world a smaller place, making living, working and sharing cultures and ideas easier.
- ☐ For centuries, inventors have tried to solve the problem of how to fly and, in doing so, invented kites, hot air balloons, airships and gliders. The aeroplane was made possible because of these earlier inventions.
- ☐ The Wright brothers' achievement was to pilot a heavier-than-air machine that took off under its own power, remained under control and sustained flight.
- ☐ Since that first flight aeroplanes have continued to evolve and improve. They can now travel further, faster and more safely.
- ☐ Today, around 8 million people travel on aeroplanes every day.



How do we know about the first flight?

- There are lots of pictures & accounts that were written at the time about the Wright brothers that we can use as evidence and about their first flight.
- There are lots of artefacts from the time that we can use as evidence such as aeroplanes and other equipment.

Timeline

