**** **Theme 3 **

**Timeline**

**Pupil Activity Sheet 1**

**Completing the Timeline**

**(Key: black – rugby league; green – events in Huddersfield;**

**red – events in other sports; blue – major national and international events)**

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| **Events and Developments at**  **Huddersfield (Giants) Rugby League Football Club** | **YEAR** | **Other Events and Developments in**  **Rugby Football and Beyond** |
|  | 1860 |  |
|  | 1861 | first colour photograph taken by James Clerk Maxwell; American Civil War- cotton famine in Lancashire; Huddersfield’s population 34.877 |
|  | 1862 |  |
|  | 1863 | Football Association formed; first rules of association football written;  *first rugby club formed in Bradford* |
|  | 1864 | *first rugby clubs formed in Leeds and Huddersfield*; |
| Huddersfield Athletic Club hosts first annual Festival Sports Day at Rifle Fields | 1865 | *first rugby club formed in Hull*; Huddersfield’s first Floral and Horticultural Show; 20 Huddersfield cricketers beat All England XI |
| Huddersfield St John’s Cricket Club founded | 1866 | *first rugby club formed in York*; |
|  | 1867 | *first rugby club formed in Rochdale*; |
| Huddersfield St John’s Cricket Club moves home ground to Fartown | 1868 | Huddersfield becomes county borough with its own corporation;  Boneshaker cycle invented |
| Huddersfield Athletic Club plays six ‘football’ matches against other clubs | 1869 | Suez Canal opened; |
|  | 1870 | Education Act - school for many more children to age of 12;  Emley Brass Band founded |
|  | 1871 | *Rugby Football Union formed; rules of rugby written;*  *first rugby international, Scotland v England;* FA Cup started |
|  | 1872 | Improved sewage system in Huddersfield; St Luke’s Hospital opens; first FA Cup final; first football international, Scotland v England |
|  | 1873 | *first rugby club formed in Halifax; Wakefield Trinity founded*  horse bus services extended to several Huddersfield districts |
|  | 1874 | first cycling club in England founded in Bradford; |
|  | 1875 | Deerhill Reservoir opened, expanding Huddersfield’s water supply; Huddersfield Glee and Madrigal Society founded |
| Huddersfield C & AC annual Festival Sports Day moves to Fartown | 1876 | Blackmoorfoot Reservoir opened; Bell invents telephone;  first national sporting league in American Baseball; |
| Huddersfield C & AC enters first rugby competition, the Yorkshire Cup | 1877 | *Yorkshire Cup, first rugby competition, started*; |
| Fartown rugby ground developed; Huddersfield C & AC begin to play there; | 1878 | *first rugby match under floodlights at Halifax;* Meltham Mills Brass band win British Open Championship for 3rd consecutive year |
|  | 1879 | Edison invents electric light bulb;first telephone exchange in London; Ramsden Street Swimming Baths opened |
|  | 1880 | Education Act –all children must attend school until at least the age of 10 |
|  | 1881 | first Boer War in South Africa; first electric street lighting; Huddersfield’s: Town Hall completed; Technical School opened; Lawn Tennis Club founded |
| Fartown hosts FA Cup semi-final | 1882 | ‘The Ashes’, first international sporting trophy, founded in cricket;  Hepworth Brass Band founded |
|  | 1883 | Huddersfield first district to run public transport system, tramcars pulled by steam engines; Beaumont Park, Huddersfield’s first, opens |
|  | 1884 | Preston North End expelled from FA Cup for playing professionals;  Greenhead Park opens |
|  | 1885 | professionalism (paid players) in football; first electric tram in Blackpool; Holliday Cup, Huddersfield’s first amateur rugby competition founded |
|  | 1886 | *Rugby Football Union bans payto players;* Baines Sports Cards published; first women’s football club;Rowley’s Empire (theatre) opens |
|  | 1887 |  |
|  | 1888 | first UK sporting leagues founded: Bolton and Birmingham cricket leagues and theFootball League; |
|  | 1889 | Arthur Wharton (Rotherham Town) becomes Britain’s first black professional footballer; Mrs Sunderland singing competitions begin |
|  | 1890 | Independent Labour Party formed in Bradford;  London’s first underground route opens; |
|  | 1891 | Huddersfield Golf Club founded |
|  | 1892 | Huddersfield Cricket League founded; *first rugby competitions Yorkshire Senior Competition, Lancashire Club Championship, start* |
| Huddersfield found guilty of illegally enticing two players to play for them; | 1893 | boom in cycling; aspirin invented; ‘coal war’ miners’ dispute;  *RFU votes against ‘broken time’ pay*; |
|  | 1894 | first football league in West Yorkshire; |
|  | 1895 | *‘birth of rugby league’ - Northern RFU formed, allowing ‘broken time’ payments*; Huddersfield Chess League founded |
|  | 1896 | first modern Olympics in Athens;X-rays discovered;Huddersfield’s first cinema films shown at Rowley’s Empire; Norman Park opens |
|  | 1897 | *first Challenge Cup competition; line-outs abolished;* Suffragette movement founded; Huddersfield Banking Company merges with Midland Bank |
|  | 1898 | *Northern Union allows pay for players in full time jobs*; new police station in Peel Street; Huddersfield and District Football League founded |
|  | 1899 | Second Boer War between UK and Boers of Transvaal and Orange Free State, starts in South Africa |
|  | 1900 | Labour Party formed; Huddersfield’s population 95,047 |
|  | 1901 | death of Queen Victoria;*Northern Union Leagueof 14 clubs from Yorkshire and Lancashire*; Huddersfield tramcar system electrified |
|  | 1902 | *Division 2 of Northern Union formed from Yorks and Lancs Senior competitions*; terracing collapses at Ibrox Park, Glasgow, 25 killed |
|  | 1903 | first aeroplane flight; |
|  | 1904 |  |
|  | 1905 | Einstein proposes Theory of Relativity;  *Northern Union reverts to one division of 31 teams* |
|  | 1906 | *Northern Union reduces teams from 15 to 13 players*; *play-the-ball replaces rucks and mauls*; Outlane Golf Club founded |
|  | 1907 | *first New Zealand northern union team to tour Britain*; |
|  | 1908 | London Olympics;*first Australian northern union team to tour Britain*  Huddersfield Town FC founded |
|  | 1909 | first synthetic plastic (Bakelite) invented;  government introduces old age pensions; Hipppodrome opens |
|  | 1910 | *first British tour of Australia and New Zealand*  Huddersfield Town FC joins Football League |
| Yorkshire Cup winners | 1911 | Amundsen beats Scott in race to South Pole;  government introduces limited health and sickness benefits |
| League Championshipand Yorkshire League winners | 1912 | Titanic sinks |
| League Championship,Challenge Cup, Yorkshire League and Yorkshire Cup winners; signed Johnny Rogers | 1913 |  |
| Yorkshire League and Yorkshire Cup winners; | 1914 | World War I begins;*Great Britain wins Rorke’s Drift Test Match;*  Crosland Heath Golf Club founded |
| ‘Team of all Talents’ wins League Championship,Challenge Cup and Yorkshire League; | 1915 | *Northern Union competition suspended*;*armed forces volunteers include 1,418 Northern Union players*; Football League suspended |
|  | 1916 | conscription for men aged 18-41; Battle of the Somme |
|  | 1917 | Soviet revolution in Russia; Battle of Passchendaele |
|  | 1918 | World War I Armistice signed 11 November; Nancy Astor first woman MP; Spanish Influenza outbreak; school leaving age raised to 14 |
|  | 1919 | Treaty of Versailles; first helicopter and trans-Atlantic flights;  Football League and *Northern Union* re-start |
| Challenge Cup and Yorkshire League winners | 1920 | Huddersfield Borough Council buys much town centre land from Ramsden estate for £1,300,000 |
|  | 1921 | FA bans women’s football on its grounds;  *rugby’s first £1000 transfer – Harold Buck from Hunslet to Leeds* |
|  | 1922 | first radio entertainment; Woodsome Hall Golf Club founded;  *Northern Union changes its name to the Rugby Football League* |
|  | 1923 | *first Wembley FA Cup final;*  Huddersfield Town Football League Champions |
|  | 1924 | Huddersfield Town Football League Champions |
|  | 1925 | television invented  Huddersfield Town Football League Champions |
|  | 1926 | ‘Electricity Supply Act’ sets up national grid;  General Strike |
|  | 1927 | first live radio commentary of a football match;  *first live radio commentary of Challenge Cup final* |
|  | 1928 | penicillin discovered;  all women get the right to vote |
|  | 1929 | Wall Street Crash;  *first Challenge Cup final to be played at Wembley* |
| League Championship and Yorkshire League winners | 1930 | depression – rise in unemployment – begins;  *first football World Cup held in Uruguay – no British teams enter* |
|  | 1931 | Empire State Building opened in New York;  Cambridge Road Swimming Baths opened |
|  | 1932 | *first floodlit rugby league match, Leeds v Wigan at White City, London* |
|  | 1933 | Hitler’s Nazi party elected to power in Germany;  f*irst London rugby league club, London Highfield* |
|  | 1934 | *rugby league launched in France* |
|  | 1935 | nylon invented;*George Bennett (Wales Rugby League) first coloured player for a British national team* |
|  | 1936 | King Edward VIII abdicates the throne;  first football highlights on television |
|  | 1937 | first televised FA Cup Final |
|  | 1938 |  |
| Huddersfield play in War Emergency League, Yorkshire Section | 1939 | World War II begins; conscription introduced; Football League suspended; *Rugby League replaced by War Emergency League* |
|  | 1940 | London and other cities badly hit in the Blitz;Luftwaffe defeated in Battle of Britain; 330,000 rescued from Dunkirk |
| Huddersfield play in War Emergency League for Yorkshire and Lancashire clubs | 1941 | Japanese attack Pearl Harbour, bringing United States into the war; *rugby league starts War Emergency League* |
|  | 1942 | *Lance Todd killed in car crash* |
|  | 1943 | allied invasion of Italy overthrows Mussolini;  ballpoint pen invented |
|  | 1944 | D-Day, 6 June |
|  | 1945 | World War II ends in Europe; atomic bomb invented and dropped on Hiroshima; United Nations founded; *rugby league re-starts* |
|  | 1946 | World War II ends in Asia; Welfare State founded – benefits for unemployed and sick; *Football League re-starts*; 46 die in Burnden Park disaster |
| sign Dave Valentine | 1947 | National Health Service founded; partition of India;  worst winter of 20th century; mobile telephone invented |
|  | 1948 | London Olympics; British Nationality Act passed to attract migrant workers from Commonwealth; |
|  | 1949 | NATO established; *Challenge Cup final tickets sell out for first time*; *first southern amateur rugby league club formed* |
| Yorkshire Cup winners | 1950 | petrol rationing ends |
| Lionel Cooper scores 10 tries in match v Keighley | 1951 | *first floodlit match outside London, Bradford v New Zealand at Odsal;*  *first televised rugby league match, GB v New Zealand at Swinton* |
| Yorkshire League and Yorkshire Cup winners; | 1952 | first jet passenger aeroplane; *first televised Challenge Cup final*  Queen Elizabeth II comes to the throne |
|  | 1953 | many buy first television to watch coronation of Queen Elizabeth II |
| Dave Valentine captains Great Britain to victory in the first Rugby League World Cup | 1954 | post-war food rationing ends; *first Rugby League World Cup held in France, entered by Australia, France, New Zealand and winners Great Britain* |
|  | 1955 | football’s European Cup founded;first floodlit football international, England v Spain at Wembley; start of commercial TV in Britain |
|  | 1956 | first floodlit Football League match - Portsmouth v Newcastle Utd;  *amateur rugby league matches allowed on Sundays* |
| Yorkshire Cup winners | 1957 |  |
|  | 1958 | Huddersfield Technical School becomes Huddersfield College of Technology; videotape invented; Munich Air Crash - 8 Man Utd players killed |
|  | 1959 |  |
|  | 1960 | *Great Britain wins Rugby League World Cup*  football’s League Cup founded as a midweek, floodlit competition |
|  | 1961 | Russian Yuri Gagarin first man in space; |
|  | 1962 | *rugby league reorganised into 2 divisions* |
|  | 1963 | ‘the Big Freeze’, weeks of sub-zero temperatures and snow;  USA President Robert Kennedy assassinated |
|  | 1964 | Civil Rights laws passed in USA; *rugby league reverts to one division and allows substitutes for injured players* |
|  | 1965 | *BBC2 begins the Rugby League Floodlit Trophy* |
|  | 1966 | *rugby league introduces four tackle rule*; England win football World Cup; big increase in number of women wanting to play football |
| floodlights installed at Fartown | 1967 | first heart transplant operation;  *first professional rugby league matches allowed on Sundays* |
|  | 1968 |  |
|  | 1969 | American Neil Armstrong becomes first man on the Moon;  Women’s Football Association formed |
|  | 1970 | Women’s FA Cup founded |
|  | 1971 | decimalisation of currency; 66 killed at Ibrox Park disaster;  *rugby league launches John Player Cup* |
|  | 1972 | *4 tackle rule increased to 6; Great Britain wins Rugby League World Cup;* Huddersfield College of Technology become Huddersfield Polytechnic |
|  | 1973 | Britain enters Common Market; miners’ strikes, 3 day weeks and power cuts; *rugby league reverts to 2 divisions; British Amateur Rugby League Association formed* |
|  | 1974 | local government re-organisation; West Riding County Council abolished; Kirklees District Local Authority formed |
|  | 1975 | Sex Discrimination Act gives equal rights, including equal pay, to women; Safety of Sports Grounds Act – grounds need certificate; first North Sea Oil piped ashore |
|  | 1976 |  |
|  | 1977 | *‘Man of Steel’ awarded for first time* |
|  | 1978 | ‘winter of discontent’ among British workers; *Viv Anderson becomes England’s first coloured international footballer* |
|  | 1979 | Margaret Thatcher becomes first woman Prime Minister;  *last BBC 2 Floodlit Trophy* |
|  | 1980 |  |
|  | 1981 | first London Marathon;  USA sets up first national women’s football league |
|  | 1982 | Falklands War;  *sin bin introduced* |
|  | 1983 | *points for try increased from 3 to 4*; Women’s Rugby Football Union formed; first evidence of Global Warming;6th local mine closed |
|  | 1984 | year-long miners’ strike as 21 pits closed and 20,000 miners lose their jobs; miners’ demonstrations in Wakefield |
|  | 1985 | 56 die in Bradford City football ground fire; 39 die in Heysel football stadium disaster; *Women’s Rugby Football League formed* |
|  | 1986 | *first rugby league match at Old Trafford* |
|  | 1987 |  |
|  | 1988 | National Coal Mining Museum opened |
|  | 1989 | Sky Television launched; World Wide Web (Internet) launched;  96 die in Hillsborough football ground disaster |
|  | 1990 | unification of Germany; Nelson Mandela released - end of apartheid in South Africa; *Russia takes up rugby league* |
|  | 1991 | USSR dissolves into different nations;  *rugby league reorganised from 2 to 3 divisions* |
|  | 1992 | FA Premier League begins; *last season of rugby league’s Yorkshire Cup;* Huddersfield Polytechnic becomes University of Huddersfield |
|  | 1993 | Taylor report on ground safety recommends all-seater stadiums and 13% reduction in number of spectators on terraces; *rugby league reverts to 2 divisions* |
| Beat Blackpool 142-4, world record points in a game and margin of victory | 1994 | Channel Tunnel opened |
|  | 1995 | DVD invented; professionalism allowed in rugby union;  *rugby league reverts to 3 divisions* |
| Ken Davy becomes Chairman | 1996 | *rugby league starts Super League and summer rugby*;  *last Regal Trophy competition* |
|  | 1997 | death of Princess Diana; first successful cloning – Dolly the sheep;  *first World Club Championship* |
|  | 1998 | *Grand Final and play-offs introduced to Super League* |
|  | 1999 | *last Challenge Cup Final at ‘old’ Wembley* |
| Split from Sheffield Eagles and reverted to being Huddersfield Giants | 2000 | *record 16 nations enter Rugby League World Cup* |
|  | 2001 | 9/11 terrorist attack by al-Qaeda destroys Twin Towers, New York |
|  | 2002 |  |
|  | 2003 | Iraq War begins;  England win rugby union World Cup |
|  | 2004 | European Union enlarged to 25 states |
|  | 2005 | giant tsunamis devastates southern Asia |
| Challenge Cup runners-up | 2006 |  |
|  | 2007 | wettest British summer on record; Northern Rock bank bailed out by government funds; *first Challenge Cup Final at ‘new’ Wembley* |
|  | 2008 | over-lending and incompetence by banks causes ‘credit crunch’; government bale out of banks reaches £100 billion |
|  | 2009 | world economy enters recession |
|  | 2010 | Haiti earthquake disaster; Pakistan flood disaster;  micro-biologists create synthetic (artificial) life |
|  | 2011 | Japan earthquake and tsunami disaster; uprisings overthrow dictators in Middle East and North Africa; Osama Bin Laden, leader of al-Qaeda, killed |
|  | 2012 | London Olympics |
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|  | 2015 | Terrorist attacks in Paris |
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|  | 2022 | Qatar first Arab nation to host football World Cup |
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