

Knowledge about Shugborough: History and Family Members

- Shugborough Hall** was built in **1695** and is in **Stafford**. It is an elegant **country house**.
- Shugborough Hall was bought by a gentleman named **William Anson**. It was inherited and owned by many Anson family members.
- Thomas Anson and George Anson** were two brothers who had a significant impact on the development of Shugborough.
- Thomas travelled Europe and took inspiration from the beauty of his trip. George was a successful Navy captain and commodore. In 1743, George captured a treasure ship which carried gold and silver worth £400,000.
- The brothers used the money to further fund the development of the Shugborough Estate. They wanted it to be an Arcadia, a perfect paradise.
- Park Farm** was built in **1805**. It was designed to provide farming on the estate. This was just before the Victorian times.
- The farm housed **pigs, cattle and horses**. There was a **mill** for grinding flour for baking. A working **dairy** provided milk for the estate. The farm provided food and drink for the main house, visitors and servants.
- In 1832, Queen Victoria, aged 13, and her mother, stayed at Shugborough Hall.
- Shugborough was handed over to the National Trust in 1966 and is a place for visitors to enjoy throughout the year.

Subject-Specific Vocabulary

Word	Definition
Tier 1	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cattle	Animals with 4 legs, such as cows, that are used to provide food.
<input type="checkbox"/> Farming	Growing crops and raising animals. Animals are used to provide food.
<input type="checkbox"/> Mansion	A large, impressive house.
Tier 2	
<input type="checkbox"/> Development	A change or growth in something. An improvement.
<input type="checkbox"/> Estate	A great area of land in the country, usually with a large house.
<input type="checkbox"/> Inherit	Receive as an heir someone's money, property or title.
<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape	An area of land, and/or their human and physical features.
<input type="checkbox"/> Mill	A building that has machinery for grinding grain into flour to bake.
<input type="checkbox"/> National Trust	An organisation that saves the historic buildings, monuments and countryside of parts of the United Kingdom.
<input type="checkbox"/> Navy	A part of the armed forces that are based at sea.
<input type="checkbox"/> Servants	A person that performs duties for others. Often employed for household tasks.
Tier 3	
<input type="checkbox"/> Arcadia	A perfect paradise.
<input type="checkbox"/> Hierarchy	A ranking of importance.

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Knowledge about Shugborough: Servants and the Mansions

- Servants** provided an important role in serving the needs of the Anson family.
- There was a strict hierarchy of servants. Some servants were more important than others. The servants earned different amounts of pay.
- The servant's quarters were next to the main house so that they could be called upon quickly.
- The servant's quarters were simple**. They shared toilets outside and many would sleep together in one room. Cold water was used for washing and bedrooms were often freezing. There were fires but these were rarely lit.
- The mansion was expensively decorated** and contained many art pieces. Some of the main rooms in the mansion include the state dining room, the red drawing room and the library.
- The **estate was expensive to run** with 109 staff in total and wages totalling over £3,000 which is equivalent to almost £300,000 today.



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