

Knowledge Organiser Year 3 History: Our Cornwall: Cornish Mining: Concept: Cause and Effect

Key Vocabulary

China clay	A fine white clay used in ceramic production among other uses.
tin	A silvery white metal
copper	A red-brown metal
ore	A naturally occurring rock which contains metal or mineral
open cast mine	A form of mining which extracts rock from the surface of the earth.
sub-surface mine	A form of mining that involves digging tunnels or shafts to reach buried ore.
shaft	A vertical hole which that gives entrance to a mine.
engine house	A building where a large engine is located
mineral	A solid, naturally occurring substance

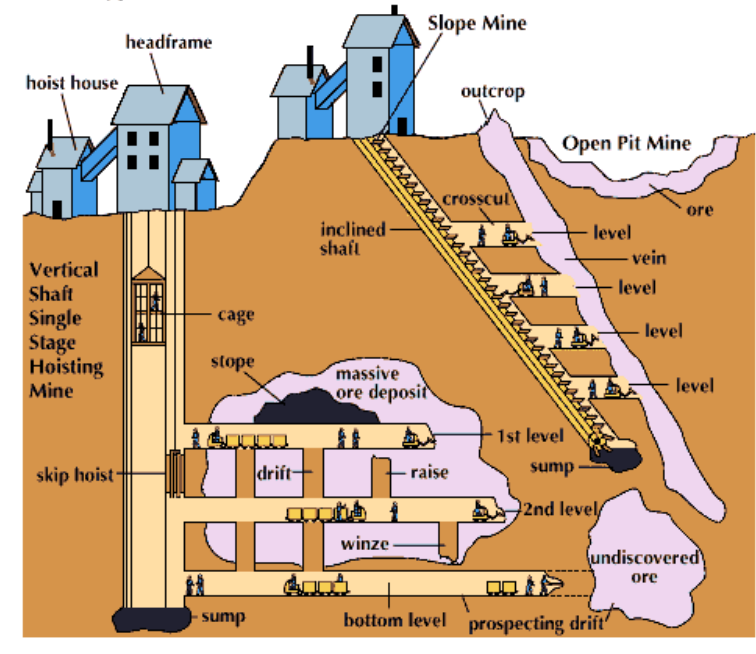


Richard Trevithick
Mining Engineer
1771-1833



Humphrey Davy
Inventor
1778-1829

Some Types of Mines



Copper



Tin



China Clay

By the mid-1700s, Cornwall was producing around 12,000 tons of copper ore a year! During the 19th Century, mining in Cornwall reached its peak, with around 2,000 mines in action across the county.

