Fancy Trying To Put Out The Great Fire Of London In MINECRAFT?

It was a catastrophe London has never experienced before, beginning with a fire in an East End bakery on July 1666.

The fire quickly grew and went on to burn for days, engulfing cities in swathes and destroying thousands of homes.

Thanks to the variety of maps specifically designed for Minecraft gamers can now enjoy the first-person perspective of The Great Fire of London.

Gamers are offered a first person view of the Great Fire of London, thanks to a number of specially made maps which can be played in the popular game Minecraft. Minecraft

MINECRAFT FIRE MAPS

The Museum of London created the Minecraft maps to mark 350 years since the start of the fire.

Players can take on the blaze city with a series of mini games.

The second map will show how the fire spread throughout the city. It will be released in the coming months.

Through several mini games players will be able relive the Great Fire as their tongues burn in the blocky world.

Playing as a journalist from the London Gazette, whose offices were destroyed by flames on the second day of the fire, players will choose the household items that need to be saved.

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Mini games will allow players to experience the Great Fire. They can join firefighters fighting the flames with traditional tools of their trade, including recreations of 17th Century firetruck (pictured) or leather buckets.

They can then explore diverse terrains, such as caves and forests. They can also fly in the air to get a birds-eye view of the surrounding landscape.

With the Oculus Rift now in the market gamers can experience virtual reality.

Joshua Blair, digital learning coordinator at the museum The museum's digital learning coordinator, Joshua Blair, said: "The first map in the Great Fire 1666 series has allowed us to really take the visitors into the history and culture of London in 1666, re-creating the narrow streets, wooden structures and iconic landmarks such as St Paul's Cathedral and London Bridge to set the scene for the fire.'

He added: 'This new map is where the Great Fire story really unfolds and we hope that players will enjoy getting to grips with this watershed moment in London's history in a fun and engaging way.'

According to its creators , the mini-games are a draw for historical figures such as King Charles II, Thomas Farriner (whose bakery set the blaze) and Samuel Pepys (a famous diarist who documented the blaze).

The game forms part of the museum's Great Fire 1666 exhibition which will run through April 2017.

Players will be available to download the maps for PC and Mac starting on the 2nd of September.