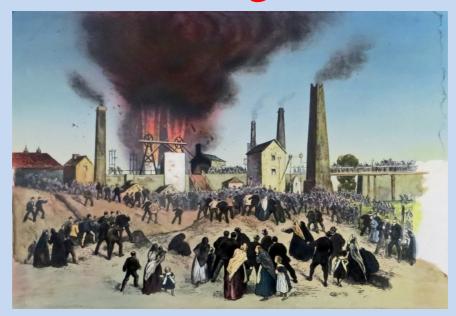
Creative Writing Worksheet



The picture above shows the scene at the Oaks Colliery on, Thursday 13th December 1866. The pit has just exploded for the second time.

Select one of the 3 following characters from the list below and create a written account of what you experienced.

#Remember to be as historically accurate as you can!

- Look at the picture and imagine you are stood in the crowd of people and are a worried relative of one of the miners or volunteers underground. Describe the scene, your feelings, etc
- You are a newspaper reporter. Write a description of the events at the Oaks Colliery on the 13th December 1866.
- Imagine you are a volunteer who is selected to help Parkin Jeffcock on the night of 12th December. You may have had the job of helping to repair the airways so that fresh air could be directed into the mine! Or, you may be sent recovering the victims of the first explosion. As you go into the Oaks Colliery workings use your 5 senses to describe what you,
 - see
 - hear
 - smell
 - taste
 - touch

Remember you don't know that it was going to explode again!