

History- Exploring the Local History of Stockport

Question: What has Stockport viaduct seen?

Key Facts		Historical / Geographical Skills																																							
• The Stockport Viaduct was built in 1840 for people to travel from Manchester to London. It was one of the largest brick structures in the world – made from over 11 million bricks. • Stockport became famous for hat-making in the Victorian era. Many people worked in factories, but conditions were tough. • World War 2 changed life in Stockport. Children were evacuated, people used air-raid shelters, and food was rationed. • In 1967, a train crash in Stockport killed 49 people. This led to better railway safety and emergency services. • Stockport keeps transforming. New roads and shops arrived in the 70s and 90s, and today, the area surrounding the viaduct is being regenerated.		Historical Concepts & Chronology: explore how Stockport has grown and adapted, from the hat industry, through the war and modern renovations. Historical interpretations: focus on how national and global events impacted Stockport. Place and Locational Knowledge: I can reflect on how the location of Stockport impacted the trade and settlement of people around the local area. Historical Investigation: How has Stockport transformed through time.																																							
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