



Year 6 Knowledge Organiser- What was the impact of the railways on people in Nottingham?

Key Vocabulary			
Canal	A long river made by people so boats can travel on it	Locomotive	The front part of a train that pulls the wagons and carriages.
Economy	How people earn money and buy things.	Navvies	Workers who did hard jobs building roads, canals, and railways
Industrial	Making things in big buildings called factories.	Railways	The tracks that trains run on.
Industrial Revolution	A time long ago when people started using machines to make things instead of doing it all by hand.	Steam Engine	A machine that uses hot steam to make things move.
Landscape	What the land looks like, like hills, fields, and rivers.	Victorian	From the time long ago when Queen Victoria was the queen.

How Trains Changed Life in Victorian Britain

Trains helped people go on trips and holidays. They also helped move food and other things from one place to another. Towns and cities grew bigger because of trains. Places that were far away felt much closer. Milk and fish could be taken to other places very fast. For example, fresh fish could go from the seaside to a city like Nottingham in just a short time.

Why Britain Got More Trains

A long time ago, in Victorian times, Britain built lots of railways. Many people were very excited about trains and spent lots of money making them. Soon, trains were everywhere, and millions of people used them to travel. There were railways all across the country.

Later on, when more people started using cars, some of these railways were not used anymore. Even today, you can still find signs of these old railways in Nottingham.

Useful Weblinks

<https://gridclub.com/activities/brunels-britain>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/history-victorian-railways/zb8dcqt>



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Good things about the railways 😊

- Trains help people visit fun places, like the seaside at Skegness.
- Train stations and bridges can look nice.
- Trains help bring food and toys to shops faster.
- Newspapers could be sent to lots of places.
- People could travel to work and get new jobs.



Not-so-good things about railways 😞

- Some people thought trains made the countryside less pretty.
- Some people worried about staying safe on trains.
- Boat canals were used less because people chose trains instead.
- Some people said there was more crime because of the railways.

