

Year 2 Local History: Why Are So Many Places Around Us Called 'Bridgewater'?

Key Learning



The Bridgewater canal



Bridgewater school



Francis Edgerton, the 6th Earl and 3rd Duke of Bridgewater took a grand tour of Europe and was evidently impressed with the canals he saw and this spurred him on to develop the Bridgewater canal to serve the collieries of Lancashire



The Bridgewater Hall



The Bridgewater Hotel

Canals are man-made waterways that boats can sail on.

The *Bridgewater Canal* is a 39-mile (65km) canal stretching from Runcorn to Leigh in Northwest England.

The Bridgewater canal is sometimes described as England's first canal.

Key Vocabulary

Canal	Canals are waterways that are built by people and used for shipping, travel, and irrigation. Canals have been an important way to move goods and carry people for many years.
Coal	<i>Coal</i> is a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock which can be burned for fuel.
Coal mine	A place where coal is extracted from underneath the Earth's surface.
Man-made	Made by humans, not natural.
Cotton Mill	A <i>cotton mill</i> is a building that houses spinning or weaving machinery for the production of yarn or cloth from cotton.



We can ask people questions to find out about the past.

Who...

What...

Where...

When...

How...