



SMRP Knowledge Organiser for Year 2 'A Moment In Time' Isambard Kingdom Brunel

Year 2 children will be building on their knowledge of Victorians from year 1. This term they will focus on a significant Victorian engineer who made a significant impact on Bristol and beyond.



History knowledge

Isambard Kingdom Brunel was a famous **Victorian Engineer**. He was born in 1806 and died in 1859.

He designed many different things such as bridges, tunnels, railways, ships and boats.

Many of the things he designed can still be found in Bristol. His two most famous achievements were designing the Clifton **Suspension Bridge** and the SS Great Britain.




He also designed the route for the Great Western Railway which ran from Bristol Temple Meads Station and included designing the famous Box Tunnel linking Bath to Chippenham.

Some people say that Brunel used to keep his sandwiches beneath his famous top hat!

History Vocabulary

Word	Definition
SS Great Britain	The longest passenger ship in the world from 1845 to 1854.
Victorian	Queen Victoria was Queen of the United Kingdom from 1819-1901 this time is called the Victorian era.
engineer	A person who designs or builds engines, machines or structures such as bridges .
eye witness	A person who saw an event actually happen.
artefacts	An object from the past that we might be able to learn something from.
sources	Something that tells us about history. It may be a document, a picture, a book, or an object.
chronology	To order time and to place events in the sequence in which things happen.
suspension bridge	A type of bridge; the is suspended (hung) from large cables

Key Dates in Chronological Order

Date	1806	1831	1838	1843	1859	1864
Event	Brunel was born 	Brunel wins a competition to build the Clifton Suspension Bridge 	Work begins on building Temple Meads Station	SS Great Britain launches. 	Brunel dies.	Clifton Suspension Bridge finally completed.

Brunel's design of the suspension bridge

