

## Isambard Kingdom Brunel

Isambard Brunel was a famous British engineer.

Born: 1806

Died: 1859

He built bridges, tunnels, railways, docks and ships.

He built the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol. It was designed to be very high so that ships could sail under it.

Brunel built Paddington Station (1854) in London. Trains still use it today.

Brunel designed the SS Great Britain, a ship built to travel between Bristol and New York.

### Key Vocabulary

<b>Bridge</b>	A structure to cross an open space or a gap.
<b>Engineer</b>	A person who designs and builds machines, systems or structures.
<b>Propeller</b>	Makes an aircraft or a ship travel by making a big wind or a strong stream.
<b>Railway</b>	A way of travelling between two places on a train which travels on steel rails.
<b>Steamship</b>	A ship that uses a steam engine or steam turbine to move.
<b>Suspension</b>	A type of bridge that is supported from above by cables.
<b>Transport</b>	A way of travelling on a moving vehicle from one place to another.



**Bristol Suspension Bridge**



**SS Great Britain**

### Historians know that...

<b>British Industrial Revolution</b>	A time in the late 1700s when Britain started changing from a rural society to an urban one.
<b>Inventor</b>	A person who has invented or created something new and usually useful to others.
<b>Rural</b>	An area which is not a town or a city. Sometimes called countryside. Often farming land.
<b>Urban</b>	An area where many people live and work closely together. Usually towns and cities. The opposite of rural.
<b>Victorian</b>	A person living during the time that Queen Victoria was Queen (1837-1901).

