

Student tasks

1. Select **nine** words from the Somerset Coal canal word bank below.
2. Write your nine words into the grid below.
3. Listen as your teacher reads out a variety of definitions.
4. When you hear a definition for one of your chosen words put a neat cross through it.
5. Call out '**Bingo**' when you have either a **horizontal** or **vertical** line or **full house**.

Word bank

horse and cart	1763	Paulton and Timsbury	locks
GWR	railway	stratigraphy	Dundas
aqueduct	K&A	barge	1902
Bath	2014	Brassknocker Basin	towpath
1794 - 1805	William Smith	tourism	Withy Mills

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Definitions

Key term	Definition
towpath	route on the bank of the canal built to allow a horse to pull a canal boat
railway	the 'new' transport system that spelt the end of the Somerset Coal Canal
Dundas	where the Somerset Coal Canal joins the K&A canal
aqueduct	method of carrying the Somerset Coal Canal over a river or road
1902	year the Somerset Coal Canal officially closed
GWR	the transport company that bought the abandoned canal in 1904
Brassknocker Basin	location of a canal visitors' centre
stratigraphy	the branch of geology which studies the rock layers
horse and cart	means of transporting heavy goods before the canal was built
1763	year coal was discovered in Radstock and mining began in the area
William Smith	surveyor known as "The father of English Geology"
1794 - 1805	years of construction of the Somerset Coal canal
Paulton and Timsbury	the towns closest to the western end of the Somerset Coal Canal
barge	common name for a canal narrow boat
locks	Used for raising and lowering boats, between stretches of water of different levels
Bath	nearest city to the Somerset Coal Canal
K&A	the Somerset Coal Canal connects to this canal
2014	year that restoration work began on the canal section from Paulton to Radford
tourism	main use of the Somerset Coal Canal today
Withy Mills	coal was carried from here on the Somerset Coal Canal

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Teaching notes

- Make sure that all students have selected nine words from the list provided and written one in each of the blank spaces on their bingo card.
- Read out the definitions of the words below at random, keeping a tally of those used.
- If the students think they have the word that matches the definition, then they should cross it through on their bingo card.
- The three winners are the first with a line, either horizontal or vertical and then a full house.
- Check that you have read out all the definitions that match the winner's words on his/her bingo card.

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