

**Year 7 Geography Fieldtrip (The East Lancashire Rail Trail)**  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2008-06-02

What to include in your project

- Answers to questions 1 to 35 below
- Take your own photographs or access on the school intranet
- Include drawings and illustrations to make your project as colourful as possible

Questions

1. How far is it in time and distance from Rossall to Bolton Street Station in Bury?
2. When was the railway line originally opened?
3. How many stations are there on the route?
4. Name them all.
  
5. How is the train powered?
  
6. Is this a good method of transport?
  
7. Describe the smells on the train.
8. How long does the train take from Bury to Rawtenstall?
9. What valley does the train follow?
10. Where does the river end?
11. How old are the rocks in this area?
12. What are the rocks called?
13. Why did this valley become important in the Industrial Revolution?
  
14. What does “burgeoning” mean?
15. What were the “mills” used for?
  
  
16. When was the railway line closed?
17. Why was it closed?
18. When did it re-open?
19. Why did it re-open?
  
20. What is a “weir”?
  
21. What is “soil creep”

22. When was Hardman's Mill built?
23. What was it used for?
24. What is Hardman's Mill at Rawtenstall now used for?
25. What is Hoyle's Mill at Summerseat now used for?
  
26. How is a river meander formed?
27. What is the meaning of the term "water abstraction"?
28. Who or what is Stubbins?
29. What is located at Ewood Bridge?
  
30. Describe the cottages at Irwell Vale?
31. Who lived in them?
32. Who do you think lives in them now?
33. Describe the disaster at Lower Ashen Bottom Bridge?
34. Why did it happen?
35. What has been done to prevent it happening again?

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YEAR ASSEMBLY (HAND ENTRIES TO MR ROBERTS BY THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>  
JULY**