



ISAMBARD KINGDOM BRUNEL

What is he most famous for?

He was an important figure in the industrial revolution because of his many designs and constructions.

Why is this important?

- He built dockyards, bridges, tunnels, railways and ships.
- His designs and inventions led to huge improvements in public transport.
- He found solutions to many engineering problems of the time.

What were his other achievements?

- He built the first propeller-driven, ocean-going, iron steamship, which at the time was the largest ship ever built.
- He built several important bridges, many for railways. The Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol was based on his designs.

Where could your learning take you?

- What was the industrial revolution?
- What are your big questions? Can you do some research at home to find answers?
- Use the QR code to watch a short video about Brunel's achievements.

<https://gridclub.com/activities/brunel-video>

KEY FACTS

Born	April 9, 1806 Portsmouth, England
Died	September 15, 1859 (aged 53) London, England
Nationality	British

Bristol,
England



Clifton Suspension Bridge

- In a public vote in 2002, Brunel was voted second in the '100 Greatest Britons' list.

