

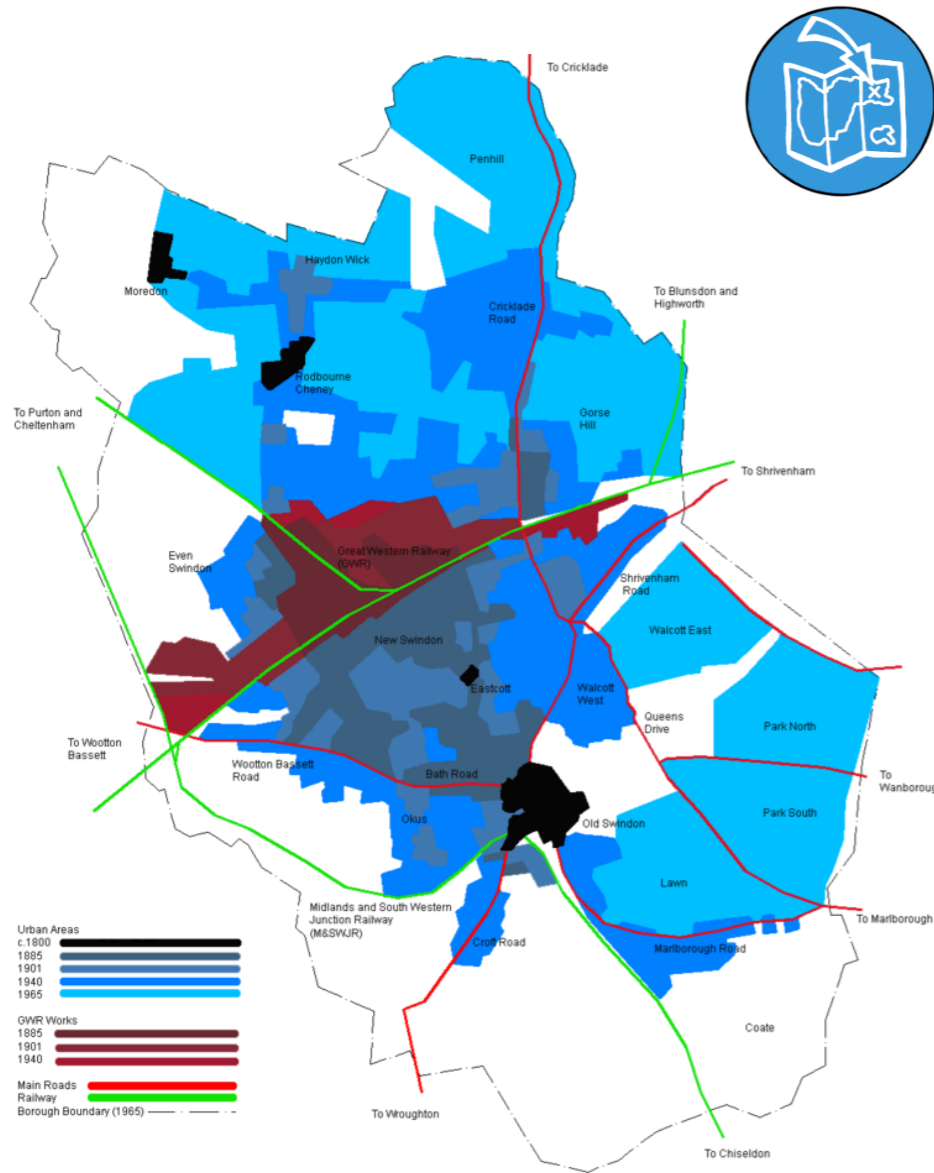
EVEN SWINDON SCHOOL



Is Swindon's past greater than its future?

Swindon Hill, 500 feet above sea level, attracted settlement from earliest times for its strategic position and excellent water supply. The Romans discovered it, quarried the stone and shipped it down to their settlement below the hill at Durocornovium on the main road between Silchester and Cirencester. After the Romans left, Saxons lived on the hill, and named it.

Until the introduction of the Great Western Railway in 1840, the population of Swindon remained in the hundreds. When the railway works officially opened, houses needed to be built for the workers along with shops and other amenities thus the town began to significantly grow. By the later 18th century, the population of Swindon had grown close to 15,000. With the increased population, the town invited more industry and business—Nationwide, Honda, Mini etc.



- Historical Context** Understanding that in history, time was different and therefore the opinions and beliefs held at that time might be different to our own.
- Locality** An area or neighbourhood.
- Boomtown** A town that experiences sudden growth in business and population
- Commuter Belt** An area of land surrounding a city from which a large number of people travel to work each day.
- Contradict** When evidence contradicts each other, it gives the opposite points of view.



L.S. Lowry, was an artist who lived in England and was inspired by his surroundings and the events in his life. He was born in 1887, and his family first lived in an area outside of the city. However, they eventually moved to a more urban area, where Lowry took inspiration for a lot of his art work, using the industrial heritage of the city.



- Three Dimension** Taking into consideration height, depth and width so that an object looks real.
- Perspective** Refers to the representation of three dimensional objects in art
- Tone** Refers to the relative lightness or darkness of colour.



Famous People



Social Pyramid



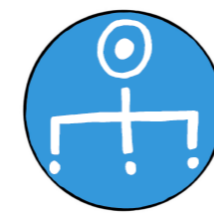
Transport and Travel



Location



Food and Farming



Main Events



Vocabulary



Clues from the Past



Impact on the World