

Great Southern Rail Investigation

Try to find the answers to these questions whilst watching the video in the Building Ireland presentation. Some answers may require more research online

1. Why did they want to build the line?
To connect remote locations in Kerry to rest of country

2. How long was the line?
27 miles/43.4km

3. Why was the construction of it so challenging?
Mountainous region. Shale and solid limestone. Inaccessible location

4. How long did it take to construct?
3 years

5. How long did it take to construct and what was the cost?
Took 3 years to construct. Total cost £250,000

6. When was it opened and then closed?
Opened in 1893. Closed in 1960