Where do the Irish rugby team play their home games?

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The Aviva Stadium

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History of the Aviva Stadium

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Built on the site of Lansdowne Road

Lansdowne Road was the oldest sports stadium in Europe - Built in 1872

Soccer wasn't played at Lansdowne Road until the 1971

In 1971 Ireland played a friendly against Italy

Concerts were also played at Lansdowne Road

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Here is a rugby union match being played at Lansdowne Road, on 23 April 2006.

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The Aviva Stadium was built on the site of Lansdowne Road.

The new Aviva Stadium opened officially opened in April 2010.

Over 6,000 people were employed by the construction.

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Here is a picture of the Aviva Stadium under construction, in December 2008.

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Activity

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Split the class into groups or pairs.
Ask each group to provide directions from one of the following locations to the Aviva Stadium.
Google maps can be used to help.

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Please provide times that we need to leave by and directions to the Aviva Stadium.

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1. From Heuston Station to the Aviva Stadium
2. From Bray to the Aviva Stadium
3. From St Stephen's Green to the Aviva Stadium
4. From Connolly Station to the Aviva Stadium

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Tips

- There are 3 worksheet options, 2 including the distance to travel, one with meters first and the other with kilometers first
- To measure distance in Google Maps
  - Right click on the map, where you want to begin your measurement and select measure distance
  - Left click where you would like the measurements to finish
  - Should you wish to measure a curved distance drag the line to the desired route

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Directions to the Aviva Stadium

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Sample

From: St Stephen's Green, Dublin 2	**To:** Aviva Stadium, Dublin 4
Depart at: 12.57pm	**Arrive at:** 1.18pm

Activity (walk, bus, train, Dart, Luas)	**Number or Route Details of Bus, Train, Dart or Luas** (where applicable)	**Travel Times**
Walk across St Stephen's Green to Pearse St Dart Station		18 minutes
Take the 1.15 Dart, 3 stops to Lansdowne Road Train Station	Bray Dart	3 minutes
Walk to the Aviva Stadium		1 minute
Total Travel Time:		22 minutes

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Walk across St Stephen's Green to Pearse St Dart Station		1,400m	1.4km	18 minutes
Take the 1.15 Dart, 3 stops to Lansdowne Road Train Station	Bray Dart	1,780m	1.78km	3 minutes
Walk to the Aviva Stadium		68m	0.68km	1 minute
Total Travel Time:				22 minutes

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