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Fact Sheet about the Erie Canal

1. The Canal was started in _____. The Canal was finished in _____.

2. It took _____ years to build the Canal.

3. The length of the Canal was _____ miles. It was _____ feet wide and _____ feet deep.

4. The Canal's nickname was _____.

5. The Canal connected _____ and _____.

6. There were _____ aqueducts and _____ locks.

7. The total rise in the water was _____ feet.

8. It cost _____ to build the Canal and it was paid for with _____.

9. To carry one ton of freight by canal boat, it cost _____ and took _____ days.

To carry one ton of freight by horse drawn wagon, it cost _____ and took _____ days.

Going by canal boat saved _____ and _____ in travel time.

10. The Canal stopped operating in _____.

11. It stopped operating because _____

12. The speed limit on the Canal was _____.

13. Packet boats traveled _____ in 24 hours.

14. The boats carried

15. Canal children had to

16. The children went to school from _____ to _____.
During that time the Canal was closed because of the _____.

17. People on the Canal attended church on _____
and _____.

18. People on the Canal shopped

19. A captain on the Canal earned _____ a month. A steersman earned _____, a steward earned _____, a horstler earned _____ and a cabin boy earned _____.

20. A canal boat cost _____. It cost through passengers _____ per mile with meals and lodging to travel on the Canal.

21. A packet boat was pulled by _____ horses and a line boat was pulled by _____ mules.

22. Boats were able to pass each other without tangling the line because _____

23. Bridges were so low because they took less _____ and less _____ to build.