Virtual Field Trip
Information Hunt

1. What mountain range was an obstacle for American settlers moving west?

2. Which lake did New Yorkers first want the canal to go to? Which did it end up going to?

3. What was the biggest problem New York faced when construction of the Erie Canal began?

4. What year was the Erie Canal completed? How long was it?

5. What is a lock?

6. How many times has the Erie Canal been expanded?

7. What building is the Erie Canal Museum located in? What year was it built?

8. What form of transportation did the Erie Canal compete with?

9. How many people lived in Syracuse in 1820? How many lived there in 1900?

10. What was a major good produced in Syracuse?

11. Who lived and worked on a canal boat?

12. What are two types of boats that were on the Erie Canal?

13. Who used the Erie Canal to travel west?