

170AD

Greek writer Ptolemy noted 'Morikambe' as a bay in England between the Solway Firth and River Ribble.



2nd Century - Year 101 to 200

5th Century - Year 401 to 500



5th Century

The Romans leave Lancaster.

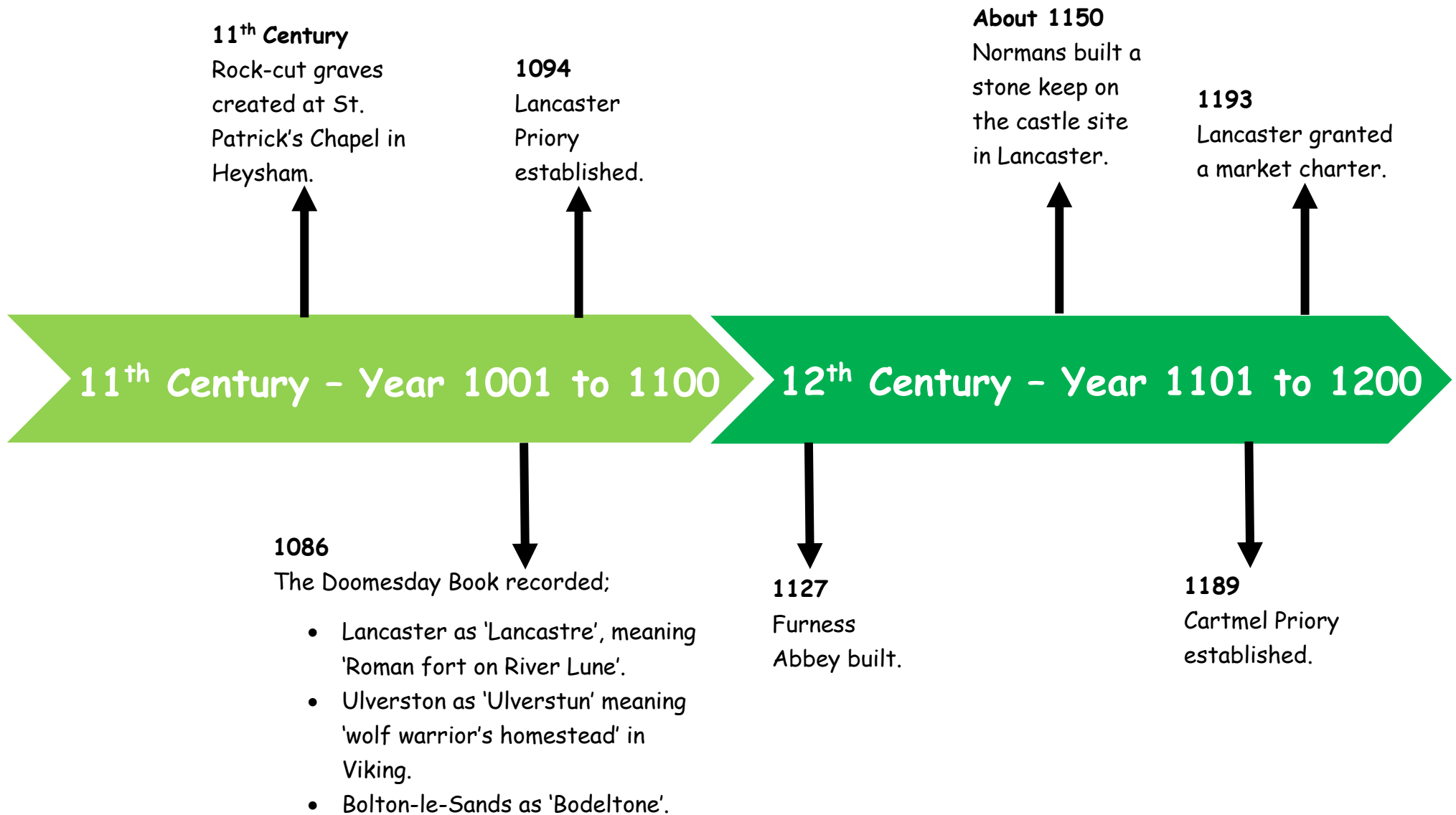
7th or 8th Century
Original foundations of St. Peter's Church in Heysham built.

10th Century
Hogback stone created at St. Peter's Chapel in Heysham, marking the grave of an important Viking.

7th/8th Century - Year 601 to 800

10th Century - Year 901 to 1000

8th Century
Earliest part of St. Patrick's Chapel in Heysham built.



1215

First mention of a bridge over River Lune in Lancaster.

1322

Scottish armies of Robert the Bruce pass through Morecambe Bay, raiding Heysham and attacking Cartmel Priory.

1390

Last wolf in England killed at Humphrey Head in Grange-over-Sands.

13th Century - Year 1201 to 1300

14th Century - Year 1301 to 1400

1280

Ulverston granted a market charter.

14th Century

Piel Castle built on Piel Island to guard Barrow-in-Furness against pirates and Scots raiders.

**About the 15th
Century**

Arnside Pele Tower
built as one of several
towers in the North as
protection against the
Scots.

1537

Cartmel priory saved
from dissolution of the
monasteries, but four
monks executed for
treason.

Furness Abbey dissolved.

1554

'The Sands Inn'
established at
Hest Bank.

15th Century - Year 1401 to 1500

16th Century - Year 1501 to 1600

1487

Lambert Simnel and his
army land on Piel Island
before crossing the
sands on their way to
battle Henry VII's army.

1548

First 'Guide to the
Sands' appointed to
help people safely cross
the sands of
Morecambe Bay.

1612

The Pendle Witch Trial, England's most famous witch trial, at Lancaster Castle.



1652

Ulverston becomes the birthplace of The Quaker religious movement as George Fox established a base at Swarthmoor Hall.



1680

Sunderland Point first acts as a port for serving cotton, sugar and slave ships.



17th Century - Year 1601 to 1700



1637

Bolton-le-Sands Primary School opened.



1669

Author William Stout starts attending Bolton-le-Sands Primary School.



1688

Oldest existing house in Carnforth built.

1700-1800

At least 122 ships sailed from Lancaster to the coast of Africa as part of the Transatlantic slave trade.

1764

Explorer Sir John Barrow was born in Ulverston. He became the founder of The Royal Geographical Society.

1785

The Hest Bank to Kents Bank sands crossing started using a more substantial coach which held 13 people and heavy luggage.

1792

The Hest Bank Hotel innkeeper shot and wounded Highwayman Edmund Grosse, who was later tried and hanged at Lancaster Castle. His body was displayed on Hanging Green Lane for over 2 years as a warning to others.

1796

The Sambo's Grave memorial erected at Sunderland Point by Reverend James Watson, a retired teacher.



18th Century - Year 1701 to 1800

1745

Bonnie Prince Charlie came down Green Lane in Hest Bank and took refreshments at the Manor House.

1774

First time the term 'Morecambe Bay' was noted on a map.

1787

Glasson Dock opened.

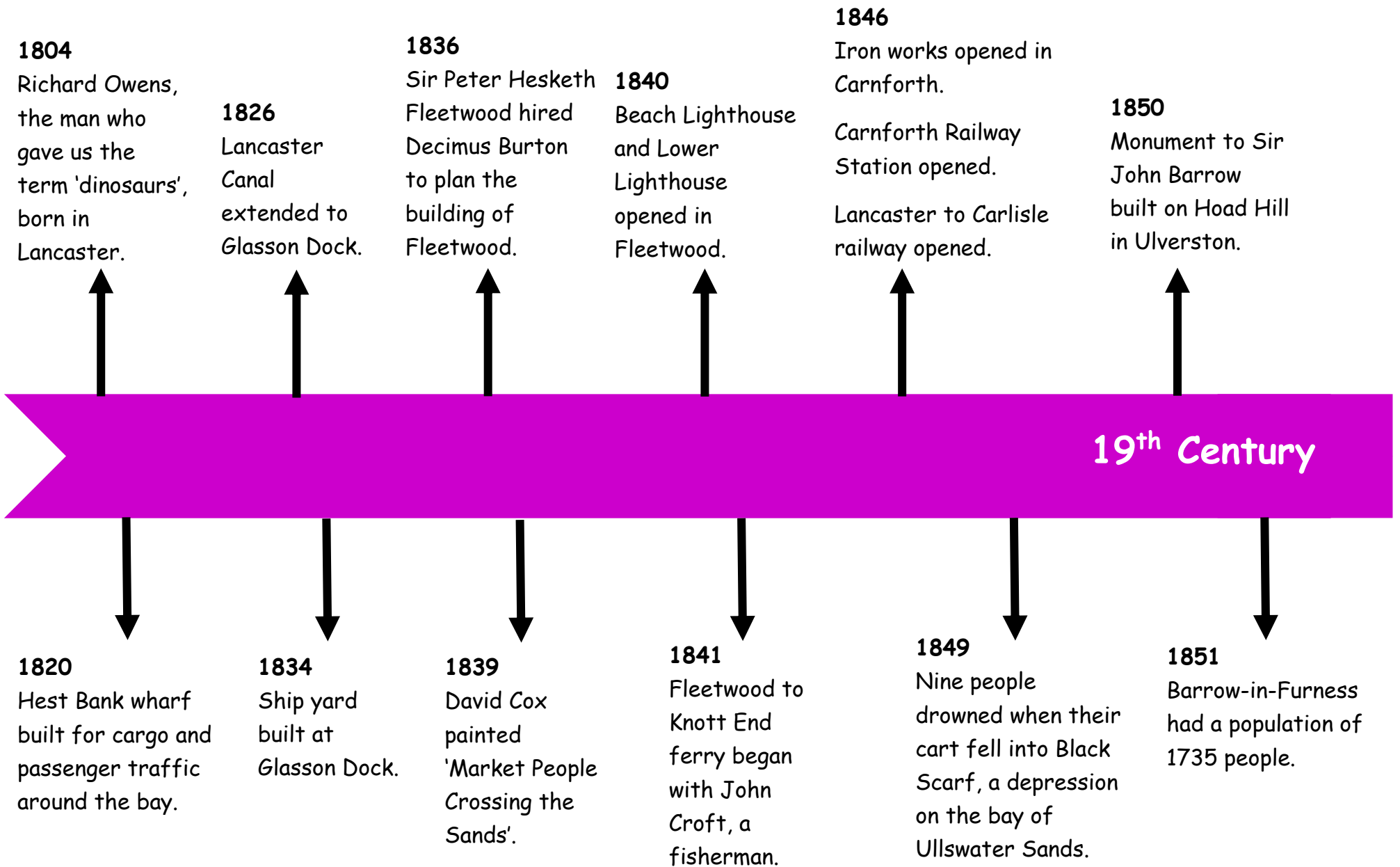
1795

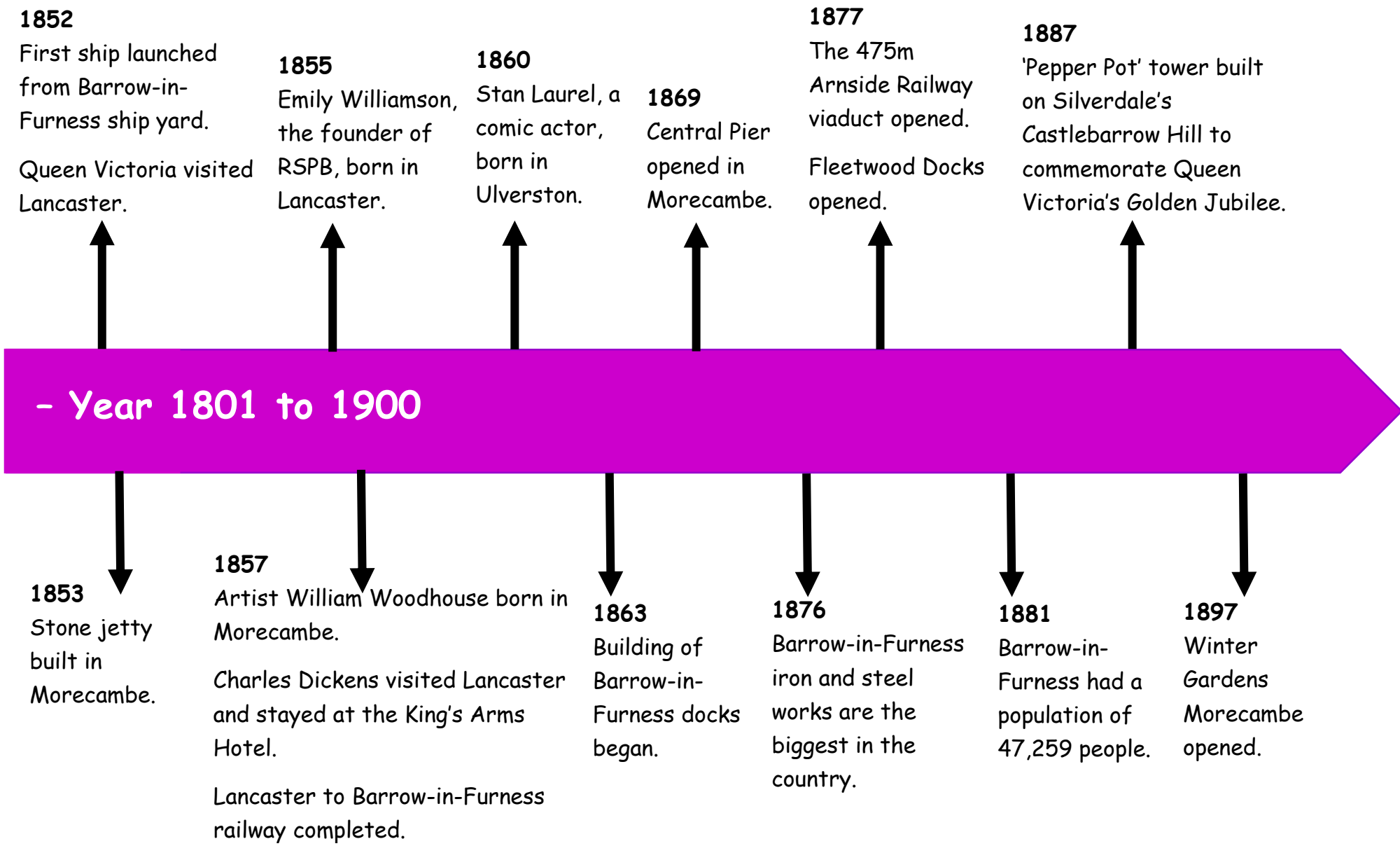
Ulverston's one mile canal built, giving access to the sea for trade.

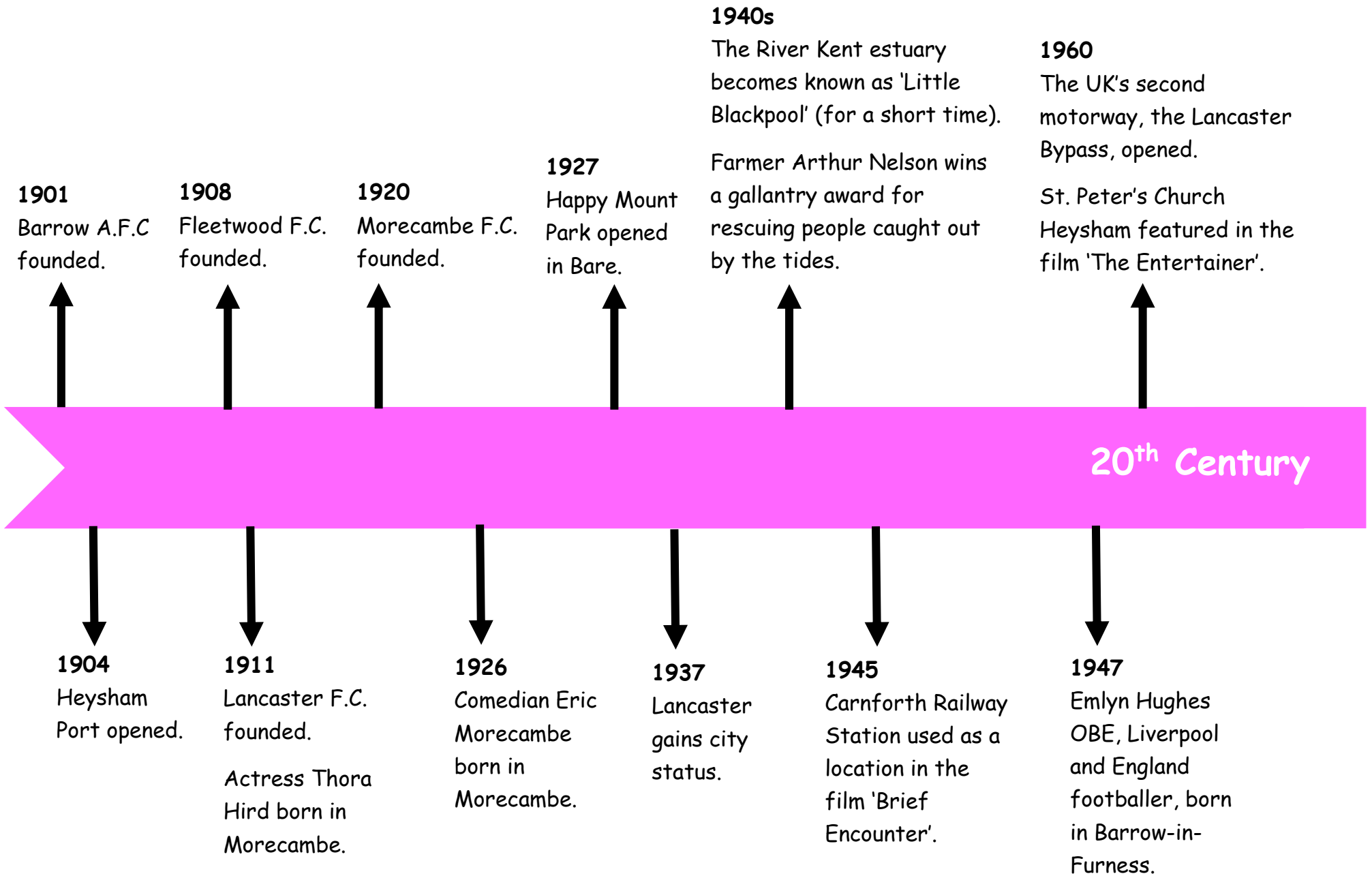
1797

Lancaster Canal opened.

Lune Aqueduct built east of Lancaster, to carry the Lancaster Canal.







1963

Cedric Robinson becomes the Queen's Guide to the Sands. He held this position for 56 years.

1965

A sleeper train derailed at 70 m.p.h. in Hest Bank due to a broken rail and damaged the platform.

1994

South Lakes Animal Park opens.

1997

Fleetwood F.C. becomes Fleetwood Town F.C.

- Year 1901 to 2000

1961

Designer Wayne Hemingway born in Morecambe.

1964

St. Martin's College, now known as the University of Cumbria, opened in Lancaster.

Leighton Moss became an RSPB nature reserve.

1968

Lancaster University founded.

1996

Scott McTominay, a Scotland national team and Manchester United footballer, born in Lancaster.

1999

The Eric Morecambe statue unveiled by Queen Elizabeth II.

Frontierland Amusement Park closed.

BAE Systems established in Barrow-in-Furness.

