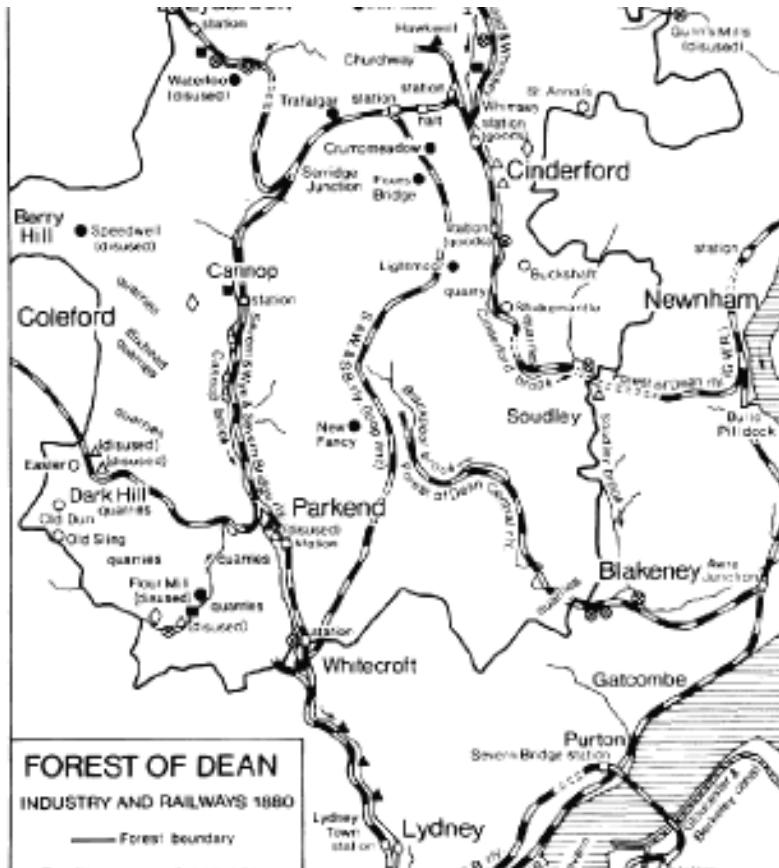


★ Key Facts

- The Forest of Dean has been mined for thousands of years
- People mined coal, iron ore, and stone.
- Coal was used for heat and power.
- Mining jobs were **hard and dangerous**.
- The Forest of Dean is famous for **Free Mining**.



Key Vocabulary

- **Mine** – a place where people dig underground
- **Coal** – a black rock used for fuel
- **Miner** – a person who works in a mine
- **Shaft** – a tunnel underground
- **Tradition** – something passed down over time

Mining in the Forest of Dean

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1300s	1605	1600s	1700s-1800s	Today
Free Miners' Charter written	Guy Fawkes Gunpowder Plot	Coal mining already happening in the Forest of Dean	Industrial Revolution – coal mining grows	Mining mostly stopped, Free Mining remembered