HUNGARIAN WRITERS IN LONDON

11 In 1832 Széchenyi travelled from Manchester to Liverpool by Stephenson's Comet. When was this passenger railway line opened and how long was it?

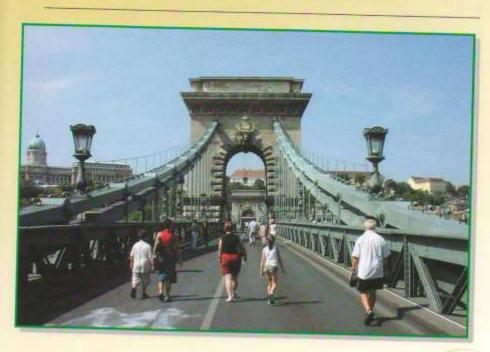
www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/RAliverpool.htm www.the-education-site.com/rail/history2.html

12 Széchenyi met Isambard Kingdom Brunel, who was the most outstanding engineer of the 19th century. His advice was very important before the construction of the Chain Bridge started. What were Brunel's greatest works?

http://sol.brunel.ac.uk/~jarvis/brunelstory/brunel.html www.brunel.ac.uk/campus/history/ikb.html

13 Széchenyi was fascinated by William Tierney Clark's suspension bridges across the Thames at Marlow and Hammersmith. He invited him to design a bridge to connect Buda with Pest. How long did the Chain Bridge take to build? When was it opened? Who was its construction supervised by? www.marlowtown.co.uk/bridge.html

http://traveltohungary.com/english/hungary/lanchid.htm



Kossuth in Exile

While Tom and his family were walking to London's biggest street market in Portobello Road, they saw the blue plaque at 39 Chepstow Villas informing people about the house's famous 19th century resident, Lajos Kossuth.

14 Kossuth's years in emigration did not start in England. Which country did he arrive from?



www.infoplease.com/ce6/people/A0828151.html

15 What is the name of the area in London where Kossuth lived in the 1850s? What is it famous for?



www.thehill.co.uk www.touruk.co.uk/london_markets/portobelloroad_market1.htm

Hongarian Writers in London before the Second World War

Dezső Kosztolányi sent his 'Letters from London' to Pesti Hírlap in 1927. He published his further snapshots of England including Dover and Oxford in 1931.

Frigyes Karinthy flew to London as a newspaper correspondent in 1935. His reports were full of sharp and witty observations about the metropolis, which he thought was much more a country in itself than just a big city.

Antal Szerb had a chance to get to know London, especially the library of the British Museum, thanks to a scholarship in 1929-30.

George Mikes arrived in England as a correspondent in 1938, and decided to settle there.

Create a poster or a web page about one of the above-mentioned authors or another Hungarian writer who managed to visit London before the Second World War. You will need to study several books for this project.

There is very little information about this topic that you can access online. The relevant interviews, essays and articles have not been translated into English either. It will be your valuable contribution towards enriching the Web with some interesting new material.