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**WORKSHEET**

**Chapter 10: Western Virginia in the New Nation - 1787-1850**  
**Section 2: Improving Transportation**

**A Transportation Timeline**

**Directions:** Based on your understanding of the chapter, determine the year in which each of the following events took place. Write the dates on the "Date" lines. When you have finished, place the events in the correct order by writing the numbers 1-16 on the "Order" lines, with "1" being the earliest.

**Date**      **Order**

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      The National Road was completed from Cumberland, Maryland, to Wheeling.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      Englishman George Stephenson built a steam locomotive.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      Robert Harper began operating a ferry across the Potomac River.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      Robert Fulton demonstrated his steamboat, the *Clermont*, on a trip from New York to Albany.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      The first successful steam locomotive ran on tracks in New Jersey.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      Morgan Morgan helped plan and build the first public road in western Virginia.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      The *Enterprise* was the first steamboat to make the trip upstream from New Orleans to Louisville.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      The first ocean-going ship was built at Elizabeth, Pennsylvania.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      Construction of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad began in western Virginia.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      The steam engine *Tom Thumb* raced a stagecoach.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      The James River and Kanawha Turnpike reached the Kanawha Valley.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      The Northwestern Turnpike was completed to Parkersburg.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      The first train of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad arrived in Wheeling.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      A suspension bridge connecting Ohio and western Virginia was built at Wheeling.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      James Rumsey launched his steam-powered boat on the Potomac River.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      The *New Orleans*, the first steamboat to travel on the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers, was launched.