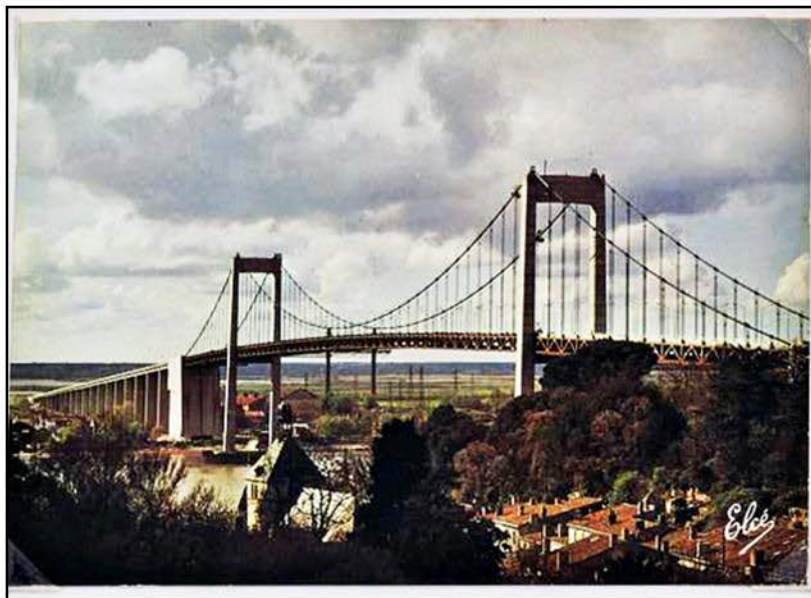
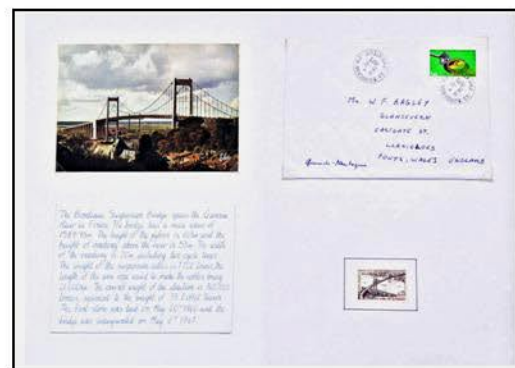


Bordeaux Suspension Bridge



The Bordeaux Suspension Bridge spans the Garonne River in France. The bridge has a main span of 1589.95m. The height of the pylons is 103m, and the height of roadway above the river is 53m. The width of the roadway is 20m, including two cycle lanes. The weight of the suspension cables is 7,700 tonnes, the length of the wire rope used to make the cables being 21,600km. The overall weight of the structure is 300,000 tonnes, equivalent to the weight of 33 Eiffel Towers. The first stone was laid on May 20th 1960 and the bridge was inaugurated on May 6th 1967.



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