Gordon Lightfoot’s The Canadian Railroad Trilogy

Listen to the YouTube video from Gordon Lightfoot entitled “The Canadian Railroad Trilogy”. Answer these questions in full and complete sentences, showing that you understood the song and that you thought about the message of the song.

1. What did you notice about the rhythm and speed as the song progresses? Why do you think Gordon Lightfoot does this?
2. What do you think is meant by “an iron road running from the sea to the sea”?
3. Think about the words “Our loved ones lie sleeping beyond the dark ocean in a place far away” What does this mean?