

Investigative Learning

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1.	What commodity fuels a subway?
	Does a subway have wheels?
	List two cites that utilize a subway system
2.	What commodity fuels an ice resurfacer? (Commonly known as a Zamboni.)
	Does an ice resurfacer have wheels?
	What type of business would utilize this vehicle?
3.	What commodity fuels a blimp?
	Does a blimp have wheels?
	What is one function that a blimp serves for the military?
4.	What commodity fuels a barge?
	Does a barge have wheels?
	What other vehicle does a barge depend on for transporting goods?
	List 3 commodities that a barge transports
5.	What commodity fuels a snowmobile?
	Does a snowmobile have wheels?
	Describe the bottom of a snowmobile.
6.	What commodity fuels a hovercraft?
	Does a hovecraft have wheels?
	Where is a hovercraft used?
7.	What commodity fuels a helicopter?
	Does a helicopter have wheels?
	What does the pilot use to steer a helicopter?
8.	What commodity fuels a steam engine?
	Does a steam engine have wheels?
	What part of an engine does the steam come from?
9.	What commodity fuels an airplane?
	Does an airplane have wheels?
	What are two tools that control the directional movement of an airplane?
10	. What fuels a hot air balloon?
	Does a hot air balloon have wheels?
	Can the pilot steer a hot air balloon?



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1. What commodity fuels a subway? Electricity

Does a subway have wheels? Yes

List two cites that utilize a subway system. Chicago, New York City

2. What commodity fuels an ice resurfacer? (Commonly known as a Zamboni.) <u>propane, natural gas, electricity</u>

Does an ice resurfacer have wheels? Yes

What type of business would utilize this vehicle? Ice rinks

3. What commodity fuels a blimp? gasoline

Does a blimp have wheels? 1 wheel for safely landing

What is one function that a blimp serves for the military? Surveillance

4. What commodity fuels a barge? Diesel

Does a barge have wheels? No

What other vehicle does a barge depend on for transporting goods? Tug

List 3 commodities that a barge transports. Heavy bulky items, another way to move grain, coal,

oil, chemicals, trash

5. What commodity fuels a snowmobile? Gasoline

Does a snowmobile have wheels? No

Describe the bottom of a snowmobile. Skis

6. What commodity fuels a hovercraft? Diesel

Does a hovecraft have wheels? No

Where is a hovercraft used? To reach areas that are inaccessible on foot.

7. What commodity fuels a helicopter? Jet A fuel

Does a helicopter have wheels No

What does the pilot use to steer a helicopter? <u>Cyclic stick controls forward, backward, and side</u> <u>to side.</u>

8. What commodity fuels a steam engine? Coal and water to make steam

Does a steam engine have wheels? Yes

What part of an engine does the steam come from? The boiler (firebox)

9. What commodity fuels an airplane? Jet fuel based on kerosene

Does an airplane have wheels? Yes to land

What are two tools that control the directional movement of an airplane? <u>Tiller – to steer on</u> ground. Yoke for flying

10. What fuels a hot air balloon? Liquid propane gas

Does a hot air balloon have wheels? No

Can the pilot steer a hot air balloon? No, it drifts with the wind.