Transportation Trivia Game

Round One: Railroads

1. What is the name of the railcar that serves as an office for the conductor? **caboose**
2. In what state was the Transcontinental Railroad completed? **Utah**
3. What general commodity would a Tanker car transport? **liquids**
4. What is the name/occupation of the driver of the train? **engineer**
5. What is the name of the railcar that is usually located behind the steam engine? (It holds coal and water.) **tender**
6. What famous person developed his life-long love for trains while living as a child in Marceline, Missouri? This same person planned a theme park and said, “I want it to look like nothing else in the world and it must be surrounded by a train.” **Walt Disney**
7. Which president signed the Pacific Railway Act allowing money and land for the development of the Transcontinental Railroad? **Abraham Lincoln**
8. Besides water, what is the other main commodity that helps a steam engine run? **coal**
9. Which railcar can transport non-refrigerated items such as bicycles, boxes, tools, furniture or toys? **boxcar**

Round Two: Air Travel

1. Who was the first woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean solo? **Amelia Earhart**
2. What form of air travel is classified as a ROTOCRAFT (which means you achieve lift from rotor blades)? **helicopter**
3. Before the Wright Brothers experimented with flight, what form of transportation did they build and repair? **bicycles**
4. What is the name of the United States Navy flight demonstration squadron? **The Blue Angels**
5. What is the entire body of an airplane called? **fuselage**
6. What section of an airplane does the pilot sit in? **cockpit**
7. Who was the first aviator to fly non-stop from New York to Paris? **Charles Lindbergh**
8. What is the name of the tail that sticks up like a shark’s fin and helps turn the nose of the airplane right or left? **rudder**
9. What aircraft is commonly known as a “Jumbo Jet”, has four engines and uses a double deck configuration? **Boeing 747**
10. What is the name of the world’s first operational vertical take off and landing jet fighter? **Harrier Jump Jet**
Round Three:  Space Travel

1. Who was the first man to walk on the moon?  Neil Armstrong
2. What food are astronauts not allowed to eat before they go into space because “passing wind” can damage their space suits?  beans
3. Who was the first woman in space as a crew member on the Space Shuttle Challenger?  She was also a nationally ranked tennis player and had a degree in physics!  Sally Ride
4. What bug did the Apollo mission deposit on the moon for research?  cockroach
5. What US senator was a Marine Corps fighter pilot and the 3rd person to fly into space as an astronaut?  He was also the oldest person to go back into space at the age of 77.  John Glenn

Round Four:  Automobiles

1. What is the average speed that most cars travel on interstate highways during peak morning and afternoon rush hour?  35 miles per hour
2. Cadillac is a small town in what country?  France
3. One an average, how much electric wiring is in automobiles?  3,000 feet
4. What United States city housed the first automobile racetrack?  Indianapolis
5. In 1916, 55% of the cars in the world were Model T’s created by what company?  Ford
6. In what country did McDonald’s open its first “SKI THROUGH” restaurant?  Sweden
7. What president was responsible for creating the interstate highway system in the United States?  Dwight Eisenhower
8. The first Grand Prix was won with an automobile going an average speed of?  46 miles per hour.  (Estimate within 5 mph.)
9. What state had the first electric traffic light?  Ohio (Cleveland)
10. Who created the “Assembly Line”?  Henry Ford

Round Five:  Water Travel

1. Which watercraft is capable of independent operation below water?  submarine
2. Which form of water transportation is used to carry passengers and their vehicles across a body of water?  ferry
3. Who created the first official steamboat service in the world with his boat: “The Clermont”?  Robert Fulton
4. What can tow or push other vessels in harbors, the open sea, rivers or canals?  tugboat
5. What is the name of a traditional Venetian rowing boat?  Gondola
6. What is the name of an amphibious vehicle or craft designed to travel over any smooth surface and is supported by a cushion of slowly moving high pressure air?  hovercraft
7. What type of boat can be sail or engine powered consisting of two hulls and joined by a frame structure?  catamaran
8. What is a small narrow boat, typically human powered that are pointed at the bow and stern, and normally have an open top?  canoe or kayak
10. What is a flat bottomed boat used for river and canal transport of heavy goods.  Most of them are not self-propelled and need to be towed?  barge