

# **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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**
- 9. Which president ran a ferry service across the Potomac River while in office? **George Washington**.
- 10. What is a flat bottomed boat used for fiver and canal transport of heavy goods. Most of them are not self-propelled and need to be towed? **barge**