

The Arrival of the Railways

The opening of the Stockton to Darlington Railway in 1825 marked the beginning of an important time in British history. The new railways and steam trains completely changed and improved trade and travel around the country. People today remain fascinated by the majestic steam locomotives introduced in this golden age.

Key Kno	owledge					
Stea	m Trains					
Steam trains made travel much faster for peopl	e. It used to take people 12 hours to travel between					
Birmingham and London if they were riding in a ho	rse-drawn coach. Steam trains meant they could make					
the journey in	n under six hours!					
<u>Mine Carts</u>	Passenger Trains					
The first railroads in Britain were in the 18 th	In 1807, the first railway to carry passengers					
century coal mines, where horses pulled mine	was opened. It was called the Oystermouth					
carts from the pits to the factories along wooden	Railway and horses pulled carriages along tracks					
tracks. from Swansea to Oystermouth in South Wales						
Thomas Savery Railway Fever						
Thomas Savery (1650 - 1715) invented and made After the success and promotion of steam						
one of the first ever steam engines in 1698. locomotives and the opening of the Liverpool and						
This engine was used to pump water out of the Manchester Railway Line in 1830, the people of						
coal mines, This early steam engine design helped Britain were gripped by railway fever. Soon, private						
other engineers and inventors to develop more companies were opening hundreds of railway lines						
successful engines in the future. around the country and the development of the						
	railways was booming.					
The Stockton to Darlington line was built in 1825 by G	George Stephenson. Stephenson's Locomotion No.1 was					
the first locomotive to travel on this line. George Step	phenson also built the Liverpool to Manchester railway					
line which opened in 1830. His famous locomotive, th	ne Rocket, which had won the Rainhill Trials the year					
before, was the first to travel on this railway line. The	opening of the Liverpool to Manchester line was a huge					
success and soon steam locomotives and ra	ilways were running all around the country.					
Railway	<u>/ Mania</u>					
The 1840s saw the biggest growth in the railways. Hun	ndreds of new railway lines were planned and companies					
sought to make lots of money by opening their owr	n railway lines. Many new laws and regulations were					
introduced during this time to make sure	that the railways were safe to travel on.					

Big businesses like Sainsbury's Supermarkets and Thomas Cook Travel used the development of the railways to their advantage in the early days.



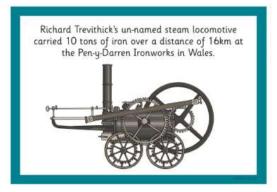
Diary entry 2 - 1887

The station opened in West Byfleet today. There was a huge party to celebrate. Can you imagine a station within walking distance of our farm!

Diary entry 4 - 1891

I'm thinking about taking the family on a little trip to the sea side. The smithy and his family went last week. Had a lovely time

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train The 'train' is the line of carriages	train	The 'train' is the line of carriages o
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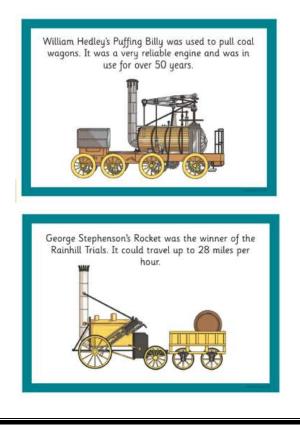
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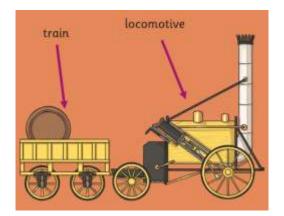
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The building of new railway lines will mean that people can travel further to work.



Using steam locomotives on the railways will help people get goods to the market more quickly.

