

## KS1 History Quiz - Travel - Past and Present (Questions)

*This quiz addresses the requirements of the National Curriculum KS1 for children aged 5, 6 and 7 in years 1 and 2. Specifically this quiz is aimed at the section dealing with developing an understanding of differences between the past and the present.*

One way for children to get an understanding of the differences between the past and the present is to look at travel. From travelling by foot to the latest super cars, the way we travel has changed a lot. Advances in technology have helped us arrive faster and in comfort and have also made international travel affordable for most people. When they have an understanding of how our ancestors had to get around, young people may appreciate modern transport a little bit more!

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- A comfortable horse-drawn coach
- A rickshaw
- A miniature steam engine

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- Plane
- Ship
- Train
- Car

**3. 1961 saw a first in transport. What was it?**

- The first time machine
- The first jet-powered roller skates
- The first hoverboard
- The first manned space flight

**4. The first passenger rail line was built between Stockton and which other town?**

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- Edinburgh
- Cardiff
- Darlington

**5. In 1804, Richard Trevithick built the first steam powered what?**

- Microwave
- Washing machine
- Clothes press
- Locomotive

**6. The Hennessey Venom GT is a super car noted for doing what?**

- Looking really good in magazines
- Coming in a range of colours
- Costing less than £100
- Being the fastest road car

**7. The double-deck A380 is the largest commercial aircraft to date. How many people can it carry?**

- 853 people
- 583 people
- 335 people
- 83 people

**8. In the middle ages, most roads were just tracks. How did most people get around?**

- In a car
- On horseback
- By train
- On rollerskates

**9. When early motor cars took to the roads, what sometimes happened?**

- A man walked in front with a flag
- The driver had to wear a special hat
- The passenger had to sound a horn
- The spare wheel was used as a warning device

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- Walking shoes
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Coaches had glass windows and comfortable seating for those inside

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His wife, Bertha, took the world's first road trip to prove it worked!

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The name of the Russian astronaut on board was Yuri Gagarin

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The line was built for coal trains but it soon made profit by transporting people too

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He built it to win a bet!

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It reached speeds of just over 270 miles per hour

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The plane is enormous and requires a lot of staff and fuel

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If you couldn't afford to own a horse, you walked

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The cars were so rare, someone had to warn other road users one was coming!

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These were the very first taxis!