





Museum Access: Illinois Railway Museum

SEASON 2 - EPISODE 6

Question 6

Why is the Illinois Railway Museum considered a "living history museum"?

More Talking Points:

1. What do you think "living history" means?

Have you visited other "living history" museums? Which ones? Question 7

How does railway transportation differ from other popular methods of transportation such as ships, cars, planes, etc.?

More Talking Points:

Which type of transportation do you prefer? Why?

2. What are some reasons for different forms of transportation?

Question 8

How did the steam engine, used for transporting lumber, differ from other locomotives used at the time?

More Talking Points:

Why was it a good locomotive for transporting lumber?

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How do steam engines work?

Question 9

What special tools are needed to restore locomotives?

More Talking Points:

1. Why do you think special tools are used to work on trains?

What special tools have you had to use in the past?
What were they for?

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Question 10

Sleeper cars became the epitome of luxury at the height of train travel. How do you think sleeper cars have influenced travel in general?

More Talking Points:

What modern examples of transportation are similar to sleeper cars?

2. What would you want to have in your personal sleeper car?

