The Great Transportation Quiz Game

- 1. What mode of transportation does the nickname "the iron horse" refer to? The Train
- 2. The first hot air balloon trip transported who: a woman, the king of France, or <u>a duck, a sheep, and a rooster?</u>
- 3. Which ship struck an iceberg in 1912 and sank? The Titanic
- 4. The first subway system opened in which city? <u>London, in 1863. (The first in the U.S. was Boston, in 1897.)</u>
- 5. About 100 years ago, most people never traveled further than how many miles from where they were born: 100, 500, or 800
- 6. A lock is a part of a canal. What is it: a place where tolls are paid, only small boats may pass, or <u>a place</u> where boats are lowered or raised from one water level to another.
- 7. What were the covers on covered wagons made of: deerskin, canvas, or wool?
- 8. Name 2 bridges that cross the San Francisco Bay. (Answers Vary, Golden Gate Bridge, San Mateo-Hayward Bridge, Dumbarton Bridge, San Francisco Bay Bridge, Carquinez Bridge, San Rafael-Richmond Bridge, Benecia-Martinez Bridge.)
- 9. What city has the busiest subway system in the world: Dubai, <u>Beijing</u>, Moscow, or New York? (<u>Beijing</u>'s subway serves 3.4 billion passengers every year.)
- 10. How long does it take to get to Los Angeles, from San Jose, on an Amtrak train? (11-12 Hours)
- 11. Which of these cities does Bart not serve: San Francisco, San Jose, or Oakland?
- 12. Highway 50 is a highway that goes east-to-west across the United States, between California and Maryland. In one state, it is nicknamed the "Loneliest Road in America." Which state is that: Nevada, Wyoming, or Colorado? (It was nicknamed that in 1986 by Life Magazine.)
- 13. The horse and donkey were one of the earliest forms of transportation. Approximately when were they domesticated, or first used, for transportation: 10,000 BC, 4,000 BC, or 210 AD?
- 14. About how many people traveled the California Trail between the 1840's and 1860's: 10,000, <u>250,000</u>, or 1,000,000?
- 15. The highest railway station in the world is located in which country: Peru, Canada, or <u>China? (The Tanggula Railway Station in China is 16,627 feet above sea level. The highest station in North America is actually in Colorado, at the summit of Pikes Peak, at 14,111 feet above sea level.)</u>
- 16. Approximately how many miles would the average pioneer travel per day on the California Trail: 5, <u>15</u>, or 35? (10-20. It depended on the weather, terrain, and other factors. Additionally, some wagon trains <u>didn't travel on Sundays!)</u>

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