

Grade 4

Social Science : History

Lesson 2 : Transport Through Time

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Transport on Land - The Bicycle

A bicycle has two wheels. Bicycles have changed a lot over the years.



The first bicycle

- The first bicycle was invented about 200 years ago.
- It was made of wood and had no pedals.
- The rider pushed the bicycle with his feet on the ground.



The bone shaker

- This bicycle was so uncomfortable people called it the 'bone shaker'.
- This bicycle was made of wood. It had metal tyres and pedals.
- The rider pushed the pedals to move the bicycle along.



High wheel bicycles

- These bicycles had one big wheel and one small wheel.
- The most famous high wheel bicycle was called the 'Penny Farthing'.
- These bicycles were dangerous to ride. Riders often fell off and hurt themselves.



The safety bicycle

- The safety bicycle was much safer than the high wheeled bicycles.
- It looked more like the bicycles we know today.
- The pedals were linked to a chain that turned the back wheel.
- It had rubber tyres and brakes.

How bicycles changed people's lives

- Bicycles saved people time getting to school and to work.
- People used bicycles to deliver **goods**.
- Today's cars use some of the **inventions** that were first made for bicycles, e.g. rubber tyres and chains.

1. Match the words in Column A with the sentences in Column B. Write your answers using the correct ALPHABET in Column C

Column A	Column B	Column C
1. Penny Farthing	A - It is linked to the pedals and turns the back wheel.	
2. bone shaker	B - Bicycle with 1 big wheel and 1 small wheel.	
3. The first bicycle	C - Bicycle with metal tyres and pedals.	
4. The safety bicycle	D - Bicycle made of wood with no pedals.	
5. bicycle chain	E - It has rubber tyres and brakes.	

2. Name two things on safety bicycles that were not part of earlier kinds of bicycles.

3. List two ways how bicycles changed people's lives.
