How did people travel in the past?

Student activities

Task no. 1

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a. Formulate questions for inquiry

- How did people from the past get to different places?
- How do we access different places today? (modes of transport and transport infrastructure)
- How has technology changed our ability to connect with places?

b. As a class collectively observe Sources 3 to 10 and discuss how people accessed places in the past.

c. Interview your grandparents or people from two generations ago on how they were able to access different places.

- Ask questions about their experiences travelling to visit family and friends and where they went on holiday and what transport they used.
- How did they keep in touch with friends and family who lived a long way away?

d. Looking at each image carefully, answer the following questions:

- What mode of transport is being used?
- What infrastructure (built feature) is needed for this mode of transport to operate?
- What challenges would you encounter using this type of transport?
- Would you travel short or long distances in this type of transport?
- Is this type of transport used today? How is it the same or different?
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A dray, a Ford Model A coupe (1928 model) and a Morris Oxford Roadster (1932 model), in summer rain, Railway Square.

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Mass of streamers as passenger ship leaves the wharf

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