

TOUR INFORMATION

ADMISSION AND BOOKING

School tours must be booked **at least 2 week** in advance. You can book a tour by filling out an online request form at www.templerrhm.org under the “Group Tours” tab.



Standard School Tour

\$2/Student – Teachers/Staff/Bus Drivers are FREE

Must have payment ready on arrival. (cash, card or check)

****Parents that choose to attend can pay the \$2 admission separate from tour group. It is preferable for large groups of parents to bring cash to better streamline our admission process.****

PLEASE NOTE:

- All our train cars are outdoors and subject to weather conditions. Tours will not be given outside when it is raining, over 100 degrees, or below 40 degrees. Any tour disrupted by weather conditions will be given our “rainy day” tour of our upstairs galleries.
- Unfortunately, our rolling stock is not wheelchair accessible. (if you have special needs children please let the museum know ahead of time so we can accommodate.)
- **Limit 60** students per tour-----It is acceptable to book multiple tours in one day. (Each tour takes about 45min to 1 hour depending on the age group)

TOUR CONTENT

Rolling Stock - The term rolling stock refers to a collection of railway vehicles.

Standard Tours include a guided walkthrough of our rolling stock.

Tour information includes discussions about steam technology, how trains work, individuals who worked on the railroad and some national railroad history. Your group will also get to see inside our 1950 Pine Mesa and 1913 Pullman sleeping cars, not open to the general public. The tour ends at our steam locomotive, where your group will have the opportunity to ring the bell in our 1921 Pacific Class Locomotive.

Permanent Exhibits

The permanent exhibits on the Museum’s second floor focus on the history of Temple, the effects of the railroad, and the experience of both riding and working on the railroad. Specific topics covered include the founding of Temple, Harvey Houses, Scott & White Hospital, railroad jobs, different kinds of trains, and the dangers of rail travel. The Communications Room allows visitors to explore the evolution of railroad communication from order hoops and lanterns, to the telegraph, and eventually the radio. **[Permanent gallery tours are reserved for rainy days, and groups smaller than 20, by request only]**

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OTHER ATTRACTIONS

Temporary Exhibits

Our Temporary exhibit gallery changes exhibits ever 4-8 weeks. Check out our website to see what is on display. www.templerrhm.org

Santa Fe Kid Stop

This small play area is located on the East side of the building under the 3rd Street bridge

Whistle Stop Playground and Picnic Area

Located at the west end of the Museum/Amtrak parking lot, this playground contains two pavilions perfect for a picnic lunch. Call 254-298-5690 to make a reservation.

Amtrak

The west end of the Santa Fe Depot contains an active Amtrak station. Amtrak's Temple stop is part of the Texas Eagle route. The Northbound train arrives daily at 11:25 am from Taylor, TX. The Southbound train arrives at 4:43 pm from McGregor, TX. A popular option is to take the 11:25 am train north to McGregor and meet your buses there. Call 1-800-669-8509 or submit a request at <https://www.amtrak.com/group-travel-requests> to receive a group rate. If you take the train, please be prepared for the possibility of a late departure.

Northbound Schedule

Austin, TX 9:31am
Taylor, TX 10:22am
Temple, TX 11:25am
McGregor, TX 11:51am
Cleburne, TX 1:00pm

Southbound Schedule

Cleburne, TX 2:52pm
McGregor, TX 4:00pm
Temple, TX 4:43pm
Taylor, TX 5:36pm
Austin, TX 6:30pm

See following pages for directional map and resources



RRHM PARKING MAP



Take Exit 301 : Adams/Central
Take W Central to down town
You cannot get to the museum via Ave B
Turn onto S 9th at the light

If you need assistance with parking or directions on the day of please call our front desk 254-298-5450

TEACHER RESOURCES

OPERATION LIFE SAVER : RAILROAD SAFETY



<https://oli.org/safety-near-trains/additional-info/teachers>

AMTRAK ACTIVITY PAGES

<https://www.amtrak.com/activity-center>



PBS THE RAILROAD: AN INTRODUCTION



<https://klru.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/the-transcontinental-railroad-gallery/ken-burns-the-west/>

LEARN ABOUT THE 1ST RAILROAD

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9nMi1KPB2-Y>



TEMPLE RRHM 3D TOUR



<https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=QfPPkHqT9ux>

****disclaimer - 3d imaging taken in 2020**

MODEL TRAINS: A HOBBY

<https://www.nmra.org/beginners-guide>



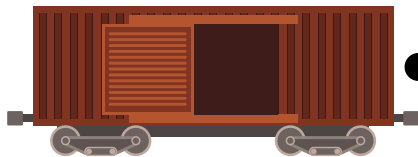
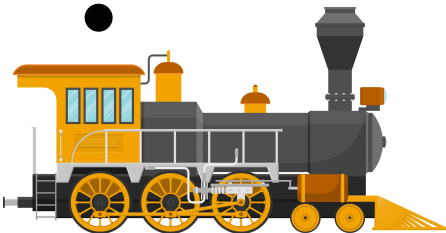
HISTORY OF THE CABOOSE



<https://www.up.com/heritage/history/caboose/index.htm>

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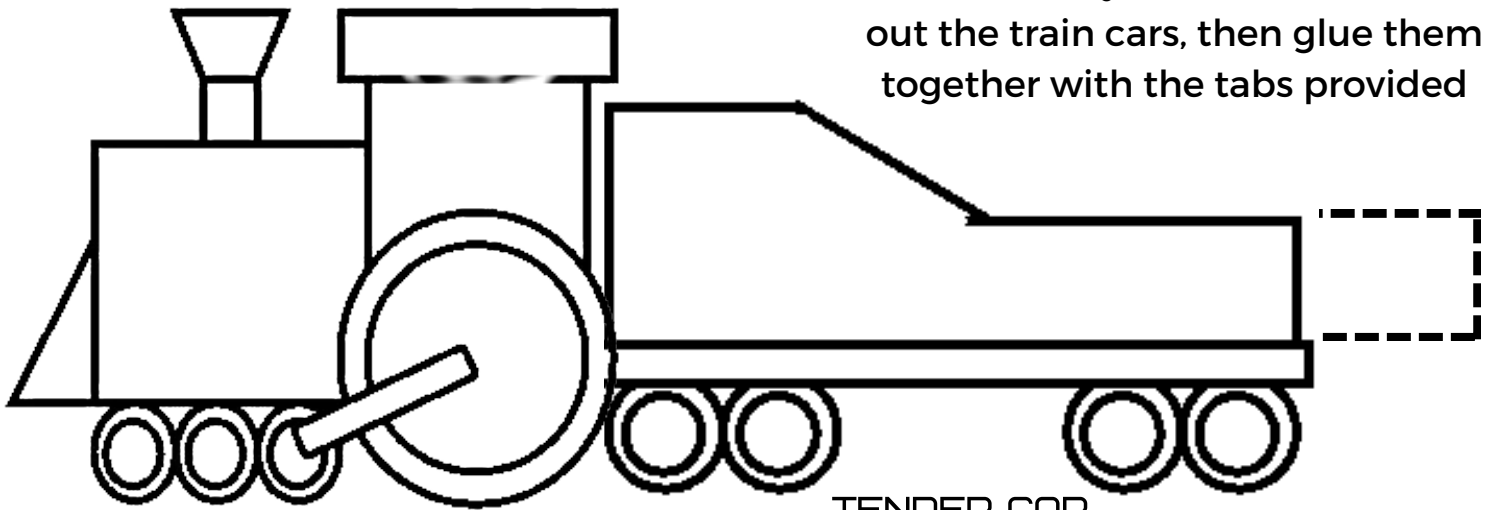


- Caboose
- Conductor
- RR Crossing
- Steam Locomotive
- Boxcar
- Train Station
- Train Ticket
- Railroad Track

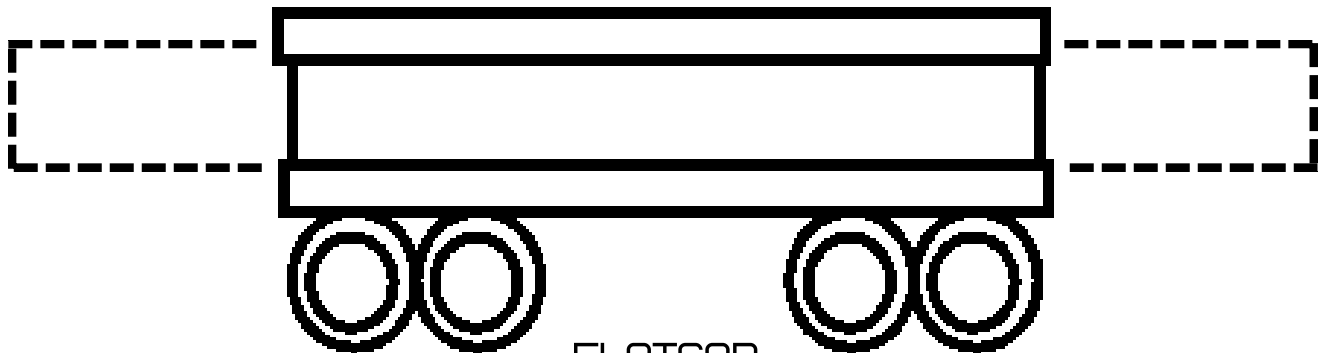
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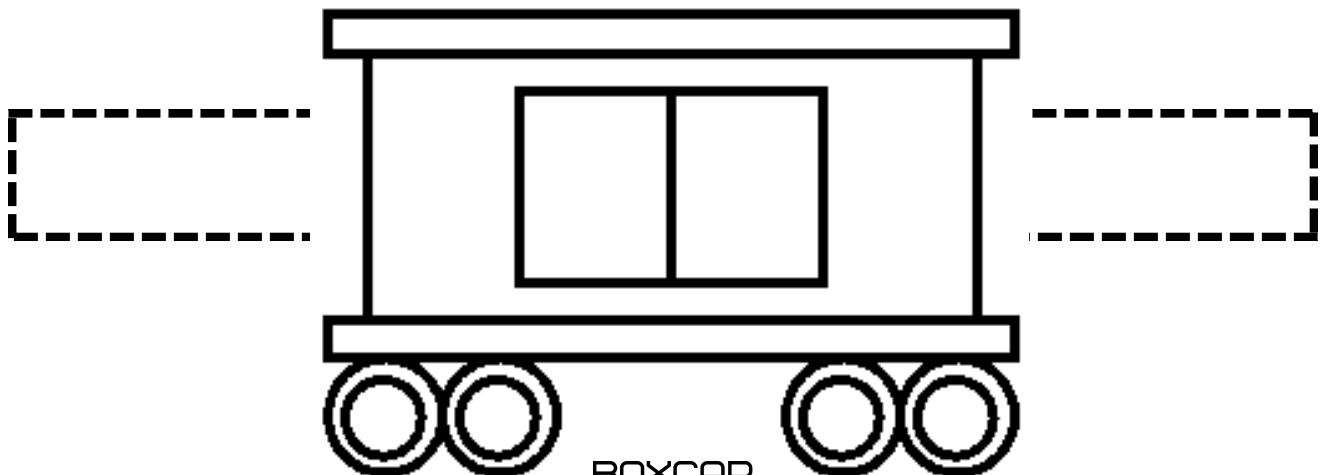
Make a Train of your own, color and cut out the train cars, then glue them together with the tabs provided



TENDER CAR

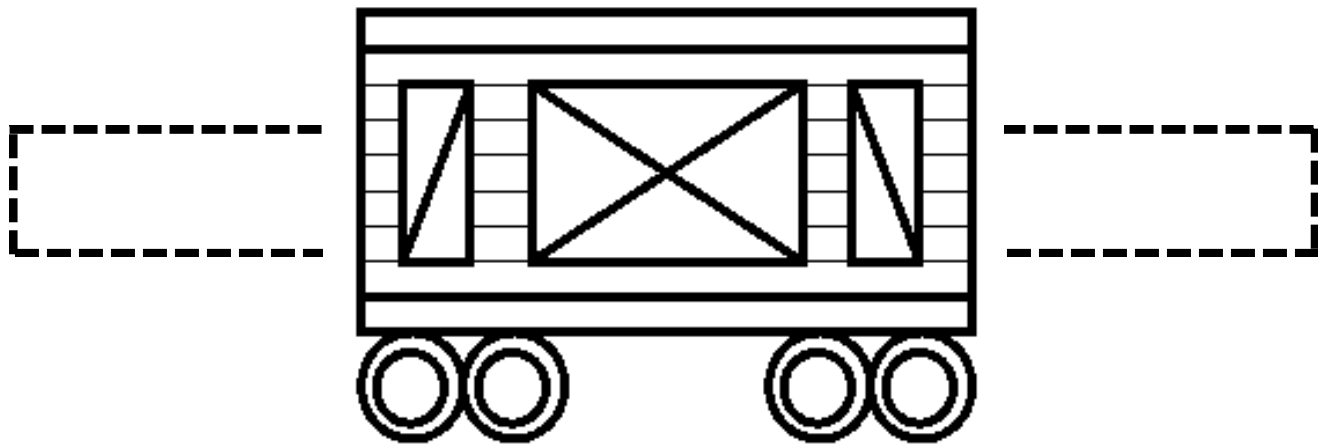


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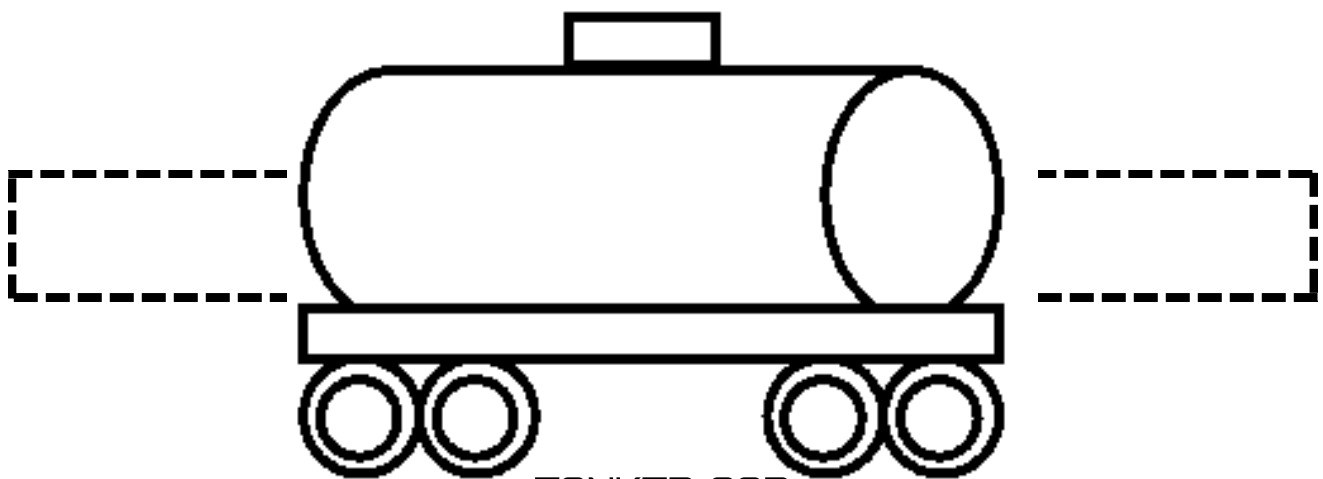


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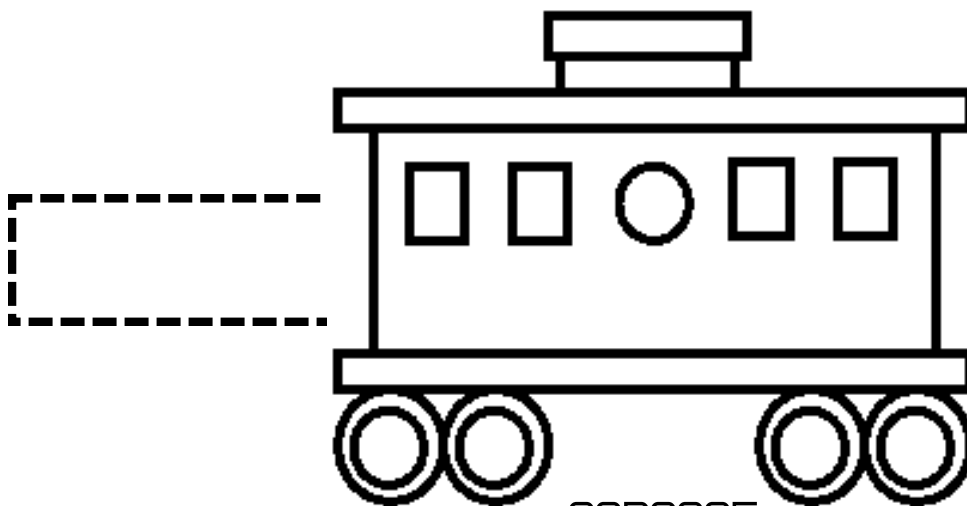
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CATTLE CAR



TANKER CAR



CABOOSE