



**Journeys**

You will read about many different types of journeys in this theme. We'll start our "journey" by looking more closely at the Iditarod.

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/itarod/index.htm>

Take some time to explore this site and then answer the questions below. Click after the question mark to type in your answer.

**Historic Iditarod**

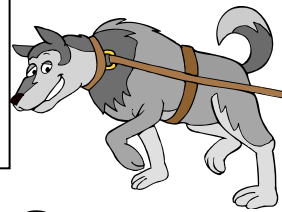
1. What was the trail first used for?
2. How many people entered the first race and how many of them finished?
3. When does the Iditarod take place each year?

**A Dog's Life**

1. What kind of dog is used in the Iditarod?

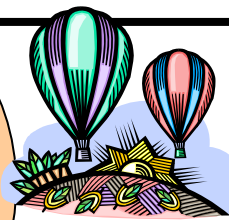
**Junior Iditarod**

1. How long is the junior race?
2. Who won the last Junior race?
3. How long did it take the winner?



1. Now let's take a journey to learn about hot air ballooning.

Click on the link below the balloons and then select "History of Ballooning".



<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/ballooning/>

Match the years with the event in the History of Ballooning by drawing an arrow.

In Microsoft Word, go to View-Toolbars-Drawing to be able to draw arrows.

1785

1987

1793

1932

1995

First Solo Transpacific Balloon Flight:

First Solo Transatlantic Balloon Flight

The First Balloon Flight in North America

Pilatre de Rozier, the world's first balloonist, is killed in his attempt to cross the English Channel.

First use of a Pressurized Capsule for a Balloon Flight



### Transcontinental Railroad

Imagine a time when the fastest way to get from the east coast to the west coast was by railroad. The Transcontinental Railroad connected the East and the West coasts for the first time. Click on the link below and then click on "Interactive Map" List 5 modern states that you would travel through if you were on the first journey on the Transcontinental Railroad. <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/tcrr/>

State -      State -      State -      State -      State -



**I SURVIVED THE TITANIC**  
*Ruth Becker was 12 years old when she set sail on the R.M.S. Titanic. This is her true story.*

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A Journey on the Titanic  
From Railroads, we will journey to the Atlantic Ocean on board the Titanic. This is the story of one survivor. Follow the link to the article and then use the space below to retell the main events of Ruth's story in 7 sentences or less.  
<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/media/world/9607/titanic.html>

