

# ANCHOR FACTS OF AMERICAN HISTORY

Mini Lessons & Printables



## Anchor Fact 6 Answer Key

Answer the questions below after you watch the mini lesson video.

Who won the first race between a horse and a steam engine (the “Tom Thumb” engine)?

The horse won the first race because a part broke on the steam engine.

How long did it take the SS Sirius to cross the Atlantic ocean in 1837?

It took 19 days for the SS Sirius to cross the Atlantic (the Mayflower took 63 days!)

What two events, 100 years apart, began and ended what is sometimes called “The Age of Steam”?

The invention of the steam engine in 1769 and the completion of the Transcontinental Railroad in 1869.

### Activity idea:

In this lesson, you learned about one part of the ways life has changed since pre-industrial times: transportation technology allows us to travel long distances much more quickly.

Think about what life would have been like in the year 1700. What other parts of life have been changed by technology since then?

Make a poster with pictures of life before and after modern technology.

Cut out this sticker and attach it to your timeline.

