



Port Moody Station Museum



Post-Visit Resource for ESL Teachers

Visiting the Port Moody Station Museum sparks memories for many people. Because trains and railroads are found in most countries around the world students can compare and contrast their experiences to those of others in the class. After your visit encourage students to share their memories. Below are some conversation topics to get you started.

Conversation Topics

- When and where have you travelled on a train? Did you enjoy your experience? Why or why not?
- How have you or other travellers passed the time when you rode the train?
- Have you or any of your family worked on a train or for a railroad? Tell about the work they did.
- As discussed on the tour, the railroad was an important part of bringing together different parts of Canada. How has the railroad effected the country you are from?
- Because of the large amount of land and difficult mountain regions, rail travel is expensive. How does train travel in Canada compare to that in the country you are from?
- With the opening of the trans-Canada highway in 1962 and the growth of air travel, rail travel has greatly declined. Today, very few people rely on trains to travel from one place to another. Is the railroad an important part of the transportation system in the country you are from? If not, what do people use most for travelling?
- Do you think it would be a good idea for people in Canada to use the train more again?