

The Buxton to Ambergate Railway Quiz

This quiz has been put together by the Peak Railway Association and the Derwent & Wye Valley Railway Trust to while away a bit of time during 'lockdown'. Some of the questions will be easy but some may need a bit of bit of research. David Lathrope and Roger Hallatt

Q1) What was the exact date that the line from Ambergate to Rowsley opened?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q2) What was the full name name of the incorporated body that established the line?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q3) Where exactly can the original terminal building at Rowsley be seen today?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q4) Which railway company extended the route to Buxton?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q5) Which is the longest of the tunnels between Rowsley and Buxton and how long is it?

A) _____ 2 pts

Q6) Millers Dale was a large junction station apparently in the middle of nowhere, but which two other destinations would have appeared on its nameboards?

A) _____ 2 pts

Q7) Millers Dale also boasted two viaducts. When was each opened to traffic?

A) _____ 2 pts

Q8) On 1st January 1923 the Midland Railway became part of which bigger group?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q9) On 26th June 1926 a new engine shed was opened at which location on the line between Ambergate and Buxton?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q10) When this engine shed was completely closed by British Railways on 17th October 1966 what was its shed code?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q11) The last steam hauled excursion over the route was headed by 70013 Oliver Cromwell on 9th June 1968. What was the rail tour called?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q12) When did through passenger trains north of Matlock cease to operate?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q13) Which was the first station on the line to close to passengers, and when?

A) _____ 2 pts

Q14) Ambergate was an important triangular intersection station. In 1875 a new line was open running to where?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q15) Who said about the 1863 extension of the line to Buxton that "Every fool in Buxton can be in Bakewell in half-an-hour?"

A) _____ 1 pt

Q16) Who designed the matching MR & LNWR stations at Buxton, and what connection did he have to the Duke of Devonshire?

A) _____ 2 pts

Q17) At which station would you have alighted for views of Little Switzerland in the 19th century?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q18) Which was the last station in England to have a post office on its platform?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q19) Surprisingly, the route between Hassop and Bakewell was reopened in August 1984. Why?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q20) Which railway society was formed on 1st October 1975, and what was its main aim, and what is it known as today?

A) _____ 3 pts

Q21) When was the Derwent and Wye Valley Railway Trust incorporated?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q22) When did the first heritage railway passenger service run from Darley Dale?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q23) When did Peak Rail open its extension to Rowsley South?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q24) Who performed the official opening of the extension to Matlock station on 1st July 2011?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q25). List the tunnels from south to north from Matlock to Millers Dale Junction

A) _____

_____ 7 pts

Q26). Name the stations passed on a journey from Matlock to Buxton.

A) _____

_____ 7 pts

Q27). Between Millers Dale Junction and Buxton the line passed through Dale and through and tunnels. (3)

A) _____

_____ 3 pts

Q28). The name of the Duke of Devonshire's agent who was a director of the company which opened the route who was also a landscape gardener and architect was?

A) _____ 1 pt

Q29). During the Loco Exchanges of 1948 which LNER B1 and SR West Country were used on the Peak line? Number and name required.

A) _____
_____ 4 pts

Q30). What happened on these dates?

- 1) 2nd July 1861? A) _____
- 2) 30th May 1863? A) _____
- 3) 19th March 1877? A) _____
- 4) 27th April 1964? A) _____
- 5) 4th May 1964? A) _____
- 6) 15th April 1966? A) _____
- 7) 6th March 1967? A) _____
- 8) 7th July 1968? A) _____
- 9) 4th Sept 1972? A) _____
- 10) 1st July 2011? A) _____

10 pts

Total: _____

We hope you have enjoyed doing this quiz. We hope to run a second one before the railway re-opens. If you have anything you wish to feedback to the Derwent and Wye Valley Railway Trust or the Peak Railway Association please write it here. All comments will be read and feedback will appear in the next copy of Peak Express

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