



# THE B&O LIVES ON:

HOW THE FOUNDERS SHAPED OUR LIVES TODAY

## WEBQUEST: VIRTUAL EXHIBIT SCAVENGER HUNT

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## 01 AMERICA'S FIRST COMMERCIAL RAILROAD

1. Using the painting *Founders of the B&O Railroad* by Francis Blackwell Mayer, identify 4 of the original founding members.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

2. What was the name of America's first commercial railroad?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. And what year was that railroad founded?

- A) 1826      B) 1861  
C) 1830      D) 1827

4. What was the name of the first American made locomotive?

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## 02 FOR BALTIMORE & FOR MARYLAND

5. What two canals threatened Baltimore's dominance in the shipping industry?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

6. Why did Baltimore need to increase connectivity with the interior of the country?

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## 03 THE B&O AND BALTIMORE

7. Pick three locations off the exhibit's B&O Baltimore Map. Briefly explain how they served the B&O historically as well as how they are used today.

LOCATION	HISTORICAL USE	MODERN USE

## 04 A GLOBAL IMPACT: SCIENCE AND INNOVATION

**8. Peter Cooper was an acclaimed inventor who designed American locomotives. What other famous invention is Cooper credited with?**

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**9. Using the B&O Railroad Network map, identify 4 states the B&O Railroad passed through:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

**10. How fast did Peter Cooper's first locomotive go?**

A) 7 mph

B) 13 mph

C) 42 mph

D) 80 mph

**11. What railroad company operates the B&O track line now?**

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**12. Anthracite coal played what two major roles for the B&O?**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

**13. The first telegraph was sent on May 24, 1844. Where was the message sent from and where was it received?**

Sent from: \_\_\_\_\_

Received at: \_\_\_\_\_

**Try it for yourself! Spell your name with the Morse Code interactive keyboard!**

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