

Name _____

Thrill Ride Search Answer Key

1. 1600s
2. Russia
3. 1884
4. Switchback Railway
5. 6 miles per hour
6. Steel
7. 1959
8. Kingda Ka
9. 450 feet
10. Tubular

Teacher Notes / Guide

Purpose: This worksheet builds **skimming and scanning fluency**: students learn to find details quickly without reading word-by-word. It develops eye-movement efficiency and strengthens **information retrieval skills** from nonfiction texts.

Suggested Implementation:

- Time students for 2 minutes to locate all answers, then repeat the task aiming to beat their first time.
- Pair students for a “Speed Round” where one reads questions while the other scans the passage.
- Encourage students to discuss **clues that helped them locate information** (e.g., capital letters, numbers, bold print).

Extension Ideas:

- Ask students to write three new “search questions” based on the same passage.
- Have students compare reading rates between skimming and careful reading, discussing which strategy fits which purpose.