

Title: Moving Goods Around the World

Word Study

Fill in the blanks using the words.

tank	railcar	coal	conveyor belt	ship
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1. They put the boxes in the railcar.
2. The conveyor belt moved all the corn from the truck to the factory.
3. It will take the ship two weeks to cross the ocean.
4. Coal is used to help make electricity.
5. We keep things like water in tanks so we can move it.

Reading Comprehension

A. Circle T for true or F for false.

1. The book talks about the fruits grown in North America. T / F
2. Oil is an example of a container good. T / F
3. A railcar is made to carry one type of good at a time. T / F
4. Some trains can have as many as two hundred railcars. T / F
5. Some airplanes are so big they can transport other planes inside of them. T / F

B. Circle the correct word(s).

1. Cargo goods come in many shapes and (sizes / colors).
2. Tank cars transport (wet / container) goods.
3. Flat railcars are used to transport (cold cargo / big goods).
4. At the railway yard, railcars going to the (furthest / same) place are joined together.
5. Passenger airplanes carry passengers and (cargo / machines).

C. Choose the best answer.

1. What category of goods is NOT mentioned in the book?

- a. Dry bulk goods
- b. Container goods
- c. Expensive goods
- d. Cargo goods

2. Which of the following is an example of a wet bulk good?

- a. Fresh strawberries
- b. Frozen bananas
- c. Milk
- d. Wheat

3. Cargo is moved off of railcars by _____.

- a. cranes
- b. workers
- c. containers
- d. tanks

4. What are rollers used for?

- a. To help move people around
- b. To help move containers around
- c. To help move transportation around
- d. To help move bulk goods around

5. What is the Antonov AN-225?

- a. The fastest cargo ship in the world
- b. The largest cargo plane in the world
- c. The longest cargo train in the world
- d. The heaviest cargo container in the world

Summary

Fill in the blanks with the words.

bulk	rollers	freight	goods	containers
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Many of the goods that we use come from far away. Depending on what it is, they are transported in different ways. For example, wet bulk goods like oil have to go in a tank. Some goods can go in containers. Once the goods have been put in the right kind of container, they can be shipped. When it's on land, cargo is usually sent by train. Long freight trains can move goods pretty easily. Goods are often sent over the sea by boat. When things need to be shipped faster, planes can be used. Some planes carry small cargo like letters. But some planes are huge. The Antonov AN-225 is so big it can carry other planes. It has lots of small rollers in it. They make it easier to load the plane. Planes, boats and trains are all used to ship goods around the world.