

□ Reading Comprehension

A. Multiple Choice. Choose the correct answer for each question.

Detail

1. Which statement is NOT true about Grand Central Terminal?
- It is one of the world's largest train stations.
 - It has more commuters than visitors each day.
 - It was built before the growth of car and air travel.
 - It is in the heart of Manhattan.

Detail

2. What was blackened by smoke?
- the hidden railroad cars
 - the ceiling of the main concourse
 - the information booth
 - basement M-42

Inference

3. Which of the following statements would Dan Brucker most likely agree with?
- Grand Central Terminal needs more information booths.
 - People who go to Basement M-42 today might be shot.
 - Grand Central Terminal is a focal point of New York City.
 - The "Emergency Stop" button should be removed.

Vocabulary

4. The phrase *showed up* in line 19 is closest in meaning to _____.
- appeared
 - displayed something
 - spoke
 - demonstrated

Purpose

5. What is the main purpose of this article?
- To discuss the importance of rail travel.
 - To introduce an important New York landmark.
 - To interview Dan Brucker.
 - To argue for the importance of National Historic Landmarks.

Did You Know?

Grand Central Terminal has been featured in scenes in many movies, including *North by Northwest*, *The Fisher King*, and *Madagascar*.

B. Completion. Complete this letter written by a sightseer to Grand Central Terminal. Use no more than two words from the passage to fill in each blank.

Dear Mom,

I'm writing you from Grand Central Station. As many other people do, I've come to meet a friend by the 1. _____. I never need to buy a 2. _____ in Grand Central Station—the recycling boxes are full of them. The ceiling above is really beautiful now, but it used to be dirty from 3. _____. I'm meeting a friend for lunch at The Oyster Bar, which is actually the 4. _____ in the terminal. She's late, but I don't mind waiting and writing to you in this beautiful National 5. _____.

Love, Julie

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