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On Rails

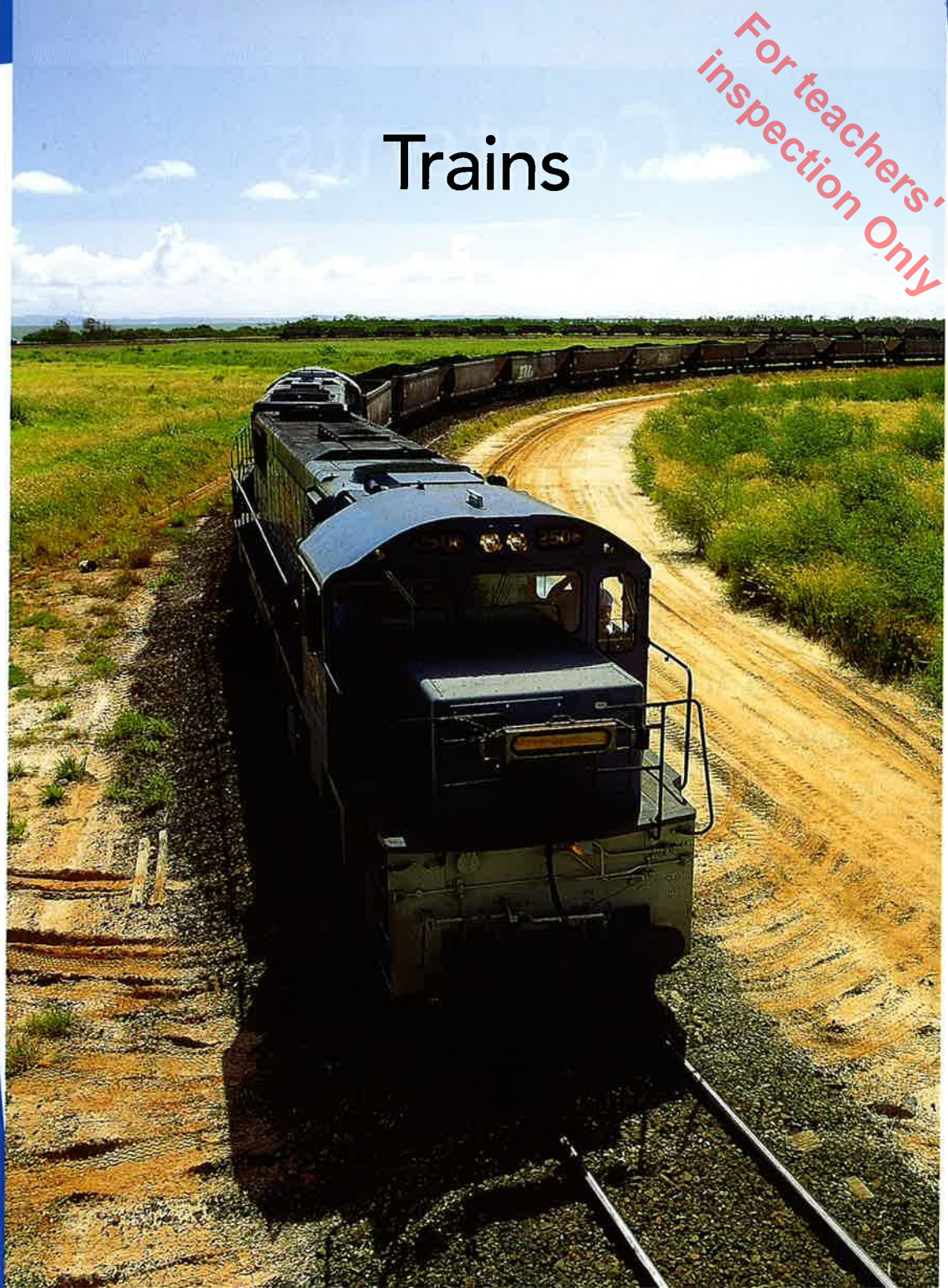
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Trains



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Trains run on rails along a railway track.

A train has an engine and carriages. The engine pulls the carriages along behind it.

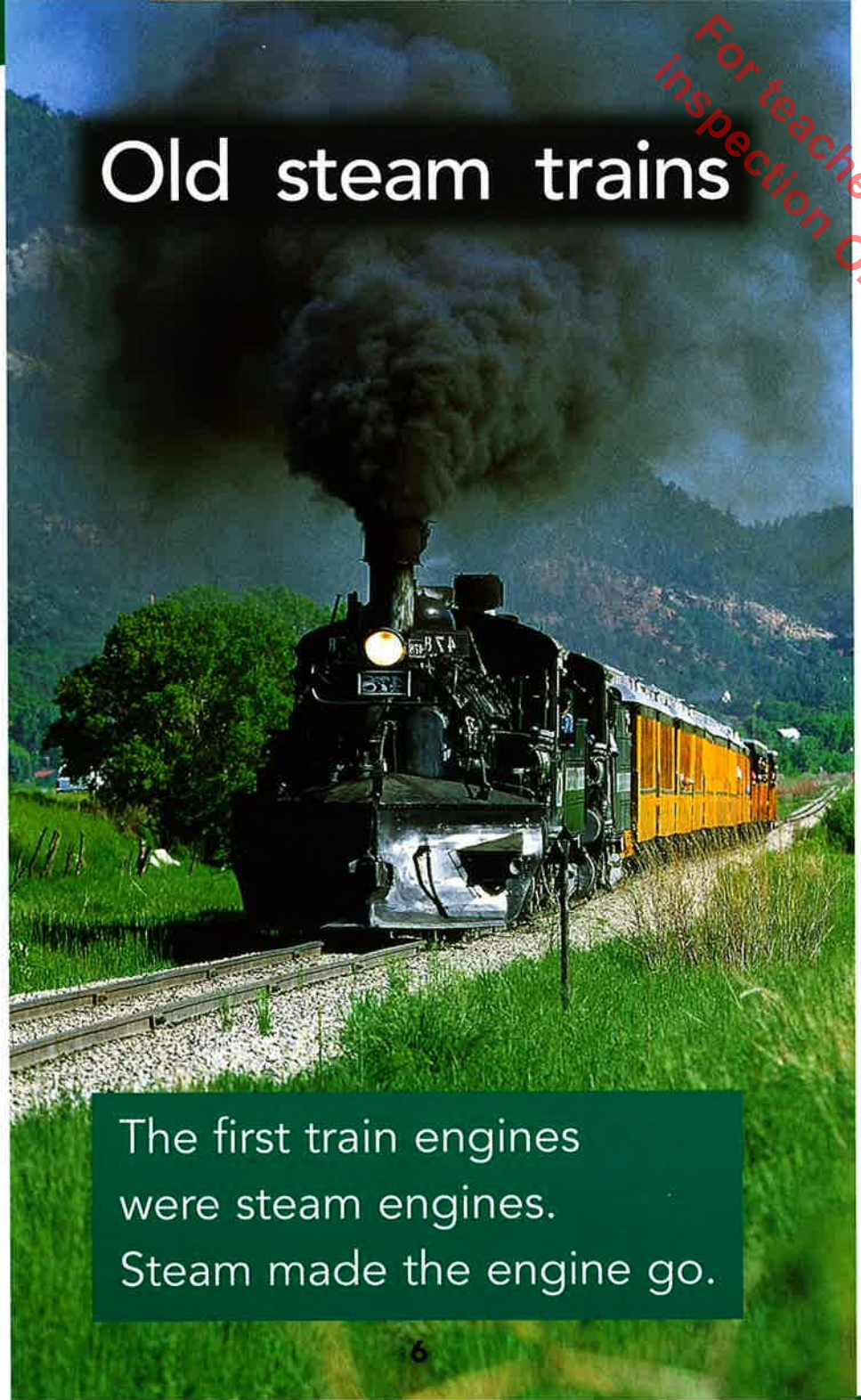
The engine can pull heavy loads.

The carriages carry people or goods from one place to another.

DID YOU KNOW?

Train engines are sometimes called 'locomotives'.

Old steam trains

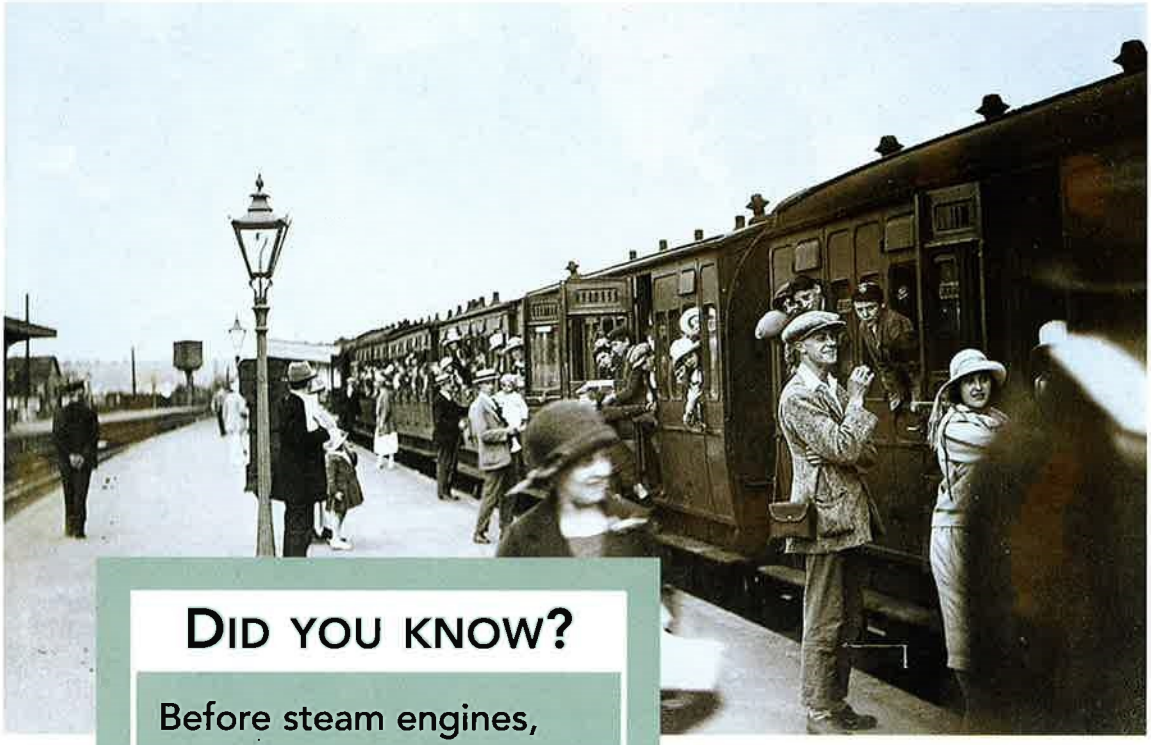


The first train engines
were steam engines.
Steam made the engine go.

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Steam trains were noisy,
and they blew out a lot of dirty smoke.
But people liked steam trains,
because they could go long distances.



DID YOU KNOW?

Before steam engines, people had to use horses to go long distances.

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Lots of people still love old steam trains.
People who belong to train clubs
and museums fix up the old engines.



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Letter to *The Morning News*

Dear Mr Green,

Our town should help the museum fix up the old steam train.

It is a part of the town's past.

If we fix up the old steam train then people can go for a ride on it.

They will see what trains used to be like in the old days.

Thank you,

Jake Hill.

