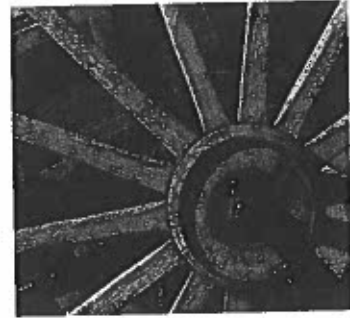


- Read the text and questions below.
- For each question, mark the correct letter **A, B, C** or **D** on your answer sheet.

The Wheel

For me, the wheel is probably the most important invention of all time. It is obviously used to move things and people. However, it is also found in many other machines like clocks, windmills and watermills.



How many of us know when and where the first wheel was invented? I decided to try to find out. The first wheel was invented in Mesopotamia, now part of Iraq, over five thousand years ago. It was first used to help people form clay into bowls and vases in the same way as potters today use a wheel. Wheels were then used in Mesopotamia on carts to transport things.

I also tried to discover what the first wheels were like. They were solid and were made out of wooden planks which were fixed together. Sometimes solid circles of wood cut from tree trunks were used. However, these were not common as the wheel was invented in places where large trees were not often found. In some places where there was not much wood, stone wheels were used. These were heavy but lasted for a long time.

It was not until about three thousand years later that wheels were made lighter by cutting out sections of the wood so that the wheel was not solid. These lighter wheels were much better for vehicles like chariots, which were used in battle. At about the same time people began to put a metal edge round the wheel to make it last longer as it rolled over rough surfaces.

How did people manage to transport things before the wheel was invented? They probably used tree trunks as rollers to help them move heavy building stones. It was hard work to put the tree trunks in place and to balance the load. It is extraordinary to think that enormous blocks of stone were moved in this way.

What is the writer's main purpose in writing the text?

- A to give the reader information
- B to make the reader want to read more
- C to give his or her opinion
- D to surprise the reader

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Traccia 1

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What would a reader learn about the first wheels from the text?

- A They were first used to make pots.
- B They were first used to transport heavy building stones.
- C They were first used on carts.
- D They were first used in battle.

What were the first wheels like?

- A solid pieces of stone
- B circles cut from tree trunks
- C wood with a metal rim round the edge
- D pieces of wood joined together and cut into a circle

When did people start making wheels that were not solid?

- A 5000 BC
- B 3000 BC
- C 2000 BC
- D 1 AD

Which would be the best reaction to this text?

- A It is interesting that the wheel was developed in different places.
- B The history of everyday objects is very interesting.
- C It is surprising that the wheel was invented so recently.
- D It is amazing how many different ways a wheel can be used.

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Susana P. Barros / Mander *Stur* *Mander*

Traccia 1

Scegli l'opzione corretta.

- Leonardo is the artist painted *The Last Supper*.
- Why they at the party?
- We met on .
- School is we learn and make friends.
- We spaghetti for dinner last night.
- I school when I was 5 years old.
- "The film *Twilight* was brilliant!" " with you."
- We the fast train to Rome.
- I left my phone school yesterday.
- We walked the river.
- To get to the stadium, go .
- Did your parents your high school?
- I went to the to borrow a book.
- I usually travel to school by .
- The post office is the supermarket.
- Who the football championship?
- I met Oscar on my to school.
- I love films about the future.
- The richest actor the world is Indian.
- My Maths isn't .
- A film at the cinema is than on TV.

- A which
- A weren't
- A Saturday evening
- A when
- A have had
- A started
- A I agreed
- A rode
- A on
- A along
- A straight away
- A choose
- A museum
- A lorry
- A in front of
- A won
- A travel
- A romantic-comedy
- A of
- A enough good
- A more exciting

- B who
- B didn't
- B last Saturday
- B where
- B had
- B followed
- B I'm agree
- B brought
- B in
- B around
- B straight on
- B chose
- B bookshop
- B bus
- B across
- B did win
- B journey
- B science fiction
- B around
- B good enough
- B more popular

- C what
- C wasn't
- C a week ago
- C which
- C were having
- C studied
- C I agree
- C caught
- C at
- C across
- C straight up
- C choice
- C library
- C boat
- C between
- C win
- C trip
- C thriller
- C in
- C well enough
- C more boring

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