

The Underground Railroad: Figurative Language Connection

| Railroad Terminology | Original Meaning | Underground Railroad Meaning |
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| freight | Cargo or goods | Escaped slaves |
| conductor | Person who collects tickets on a train | Person who led the escaped slaves to freedom |
| station | A place where passengers get on and off a train | Hiding place for escaped slaves |
| lines | A route a train takes on a railroad | A route slaves took north to freedom |
| station master | The person in charge of the railroad station | Owner of the hiding place or “station” |
| Extended Response: <i>How do you think figurative language benefited escaping slaves and those helping them?</i> | | |