https://www.google.com/search?sxsrf=ACYBGNTBAzIgvQcL8dt9ldCKpVKZkPipTw%3A1579611777739&source=hp&ei=gfYmXuP-KsvN\_Aa6v6moCw&q=american+railroad+trivia&oq=railroad+trivia&gs\_l=psy-ab.1.2.0l2j0i22i30l8.3823.15598..19201...1.0..0.459.2004.1j13j4-1......0....1..gws-wiz.......35i39j0i67j0i20i263.RS8uLDOykVU

John Stevens is considered to be the father of American **railroads**. In 1826 Stevens demonstrated the feasibility of steam locomotion on a circular experimental track constructed on his estate in Hoboken, New Jersey, three years before George Stephenson perfected a practical steam locomotive in England.

Today's bullet **trains** can top 300 mph. When Englishman Richard Trevithick launched the first practical steam locomotive in 1804, it averaged less than 10 mph.Dec 11, 2012

On February 28, 1827, the **Baltimore & Ohio Railroad** became the first U.S. railway chartered for commercial transport of passengers and freight. There were skeptics who doubted that a steam engine could work along steep, winding grades, but the Tom Thumb, designed by Peter Cooper, put an end to their doubts.

The **railroad** was **first** developed in Great Britain. A man named George Stephenson successfully applied the steam technology of the day and **created** the world's **first** successful locomotive. The **first** engines used in the United States were purchased from the Stephenson Works in England.