

Wagons at The MERL!

Identify the wagon each riddle is describing! You can draw line between them or match up the numbers to the letters. You can look them up on the MERL database using their object number here: <http://www.reading.ac.uk/Adlib/search/simple>

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A

I was built by Benjamin Cole. I was built around 1880.

I am from Hertfordshire. I am a covered Miller's wagon.

Who am I?

Object number: 51/1295

2



B

I was owned by J. Knight. I am from Goring Heath in Oxfordshire.

I am painted blue and white, and my wheels are red. I was built before the first world war.

Who am I?

Object number: 96/41

3



C

I was built in 1780. I am the oldest surviving wagon in the museum.

I am from Cambridgeshire. I am painted red and blue.

Who am I?

Object number: 53/8

4



D

I was built around 1910. I am the smallest wagon in the museum.

My body is low and wide. I am from Dorset.

Who am I?

Object number: 61/43

5



E

I was built around 1840. I was owned by H.J. Pullens and Sons.

I was built in Wiltshire but moved to Oxfordshire with the family.

Who am I?

Object number: 51/1286

6



F

I was built in 1894. I was built in Somerset.

My sides make me look like a ship. I am painted in red, blue and yellow.

Who am I?

Object number: 62/513

Write your own riddles!

There is some information next to the wagons below to help you write your riddle.

You could write about the shape, colour, size, number of wheels or anything you can think of! Make sure people can figure it out by practicing on a friend or family member. They can help you to make your riddle easier or harder!

1



Model of a South Midlands Oxfordshire Cart

This working model was built to 1/8th of the size of the original.

It was built for an exhibition of traditional British crafts in 1946.

60/565/1-6

2



Lincolnshire Wagon

This wagon was donated to the Museum in 1961. It is called a 'hermaphrodite' wagon because the two front wheels can be removed to turn this into a cart!

Carts only have two wheels!

61/205