FUNNY WORDS, SERIOUS STUFF

A selection of Australian railway terms you will see around the Museum



Rolling stock: Any railway car and/or locomotive

Locomotive: A locomotive (or engine) is a railway vehicle that provides the power for a train

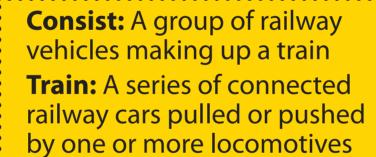


Tender:A tender (or coalcar) hauled by a steam locomotive and containing the locomotive's fuel (wood, coal, or oil) and water





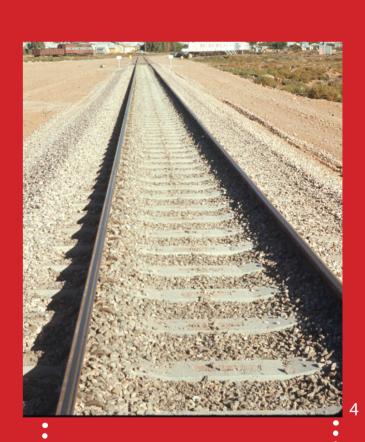
Wheel arrangement: The way in which wheels are distributed beneath a locomotive. For example the Northern type of locomotive has a 4-8-4 wheel arrangement (4 leading wheels, 8 driving wheels, and 4 trailing wheels)





Bogie: Rolling stock undercarriage incorporating the wheels, suspension, brakes (and traction motors in powered units)





Gauge: The spacing between rails in a track. The Museum has broad, narrow and standard gauge rolling stock on display. The little train that runs around the Museum runs on 457mm gauge

1 509 Northern type of locomotive has a 4-8-4 wheel arrangement

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2 500 class steam locomotive No.504 hauls a large freight consist through Mt Lofty NRM Collection

3 An Australian National AHBA class hopper wagon clearly shows its roller bearing bogies while standing at Wallaroo lan Harvey

4 This section of standard gauge track (1435mm) has just been tamped (had ballast packed down) and is ready for traffic on 7.6.1972