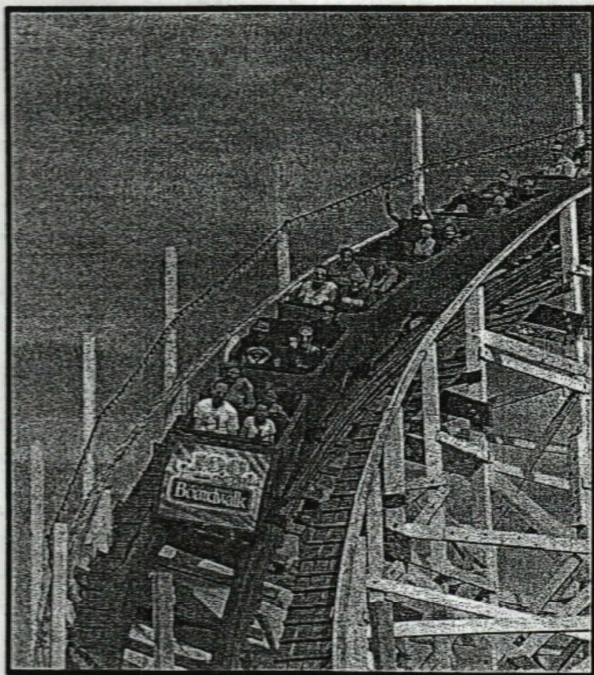


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Roller Coasters



One of the most exciting activities you can do in a theme park is ride on a roller coaster. Roller coasters were first ridden in America on Coney Island, New York in 1884 based on a mining car that delivered coal. It traveled six miles per hour and you had to pay one nickel to ride! Today's roller coasters can invert, or flip upside down, freefall dive, and even travel at 95 miles per hour. Roller coasters have been made out of different materials including wood and steel. The steel is made into tubes that can be bent into many different shapes to allow for all of those twists and turns!

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1. Remembering: Main Idea

Who? _____ → _____
What? _____ → _____
Why? _____ → _____

2. Understanding: Details

Write 3 sentences about what you remember or learned.

3. Applying

Why is it significant that the modern roller coaster is made from tubular steel?
