

KEY FACTS

Who was Richard Trevithick?



He was born over 200 years ago in Camborne, Cornwall

He was very big, strong and clever.

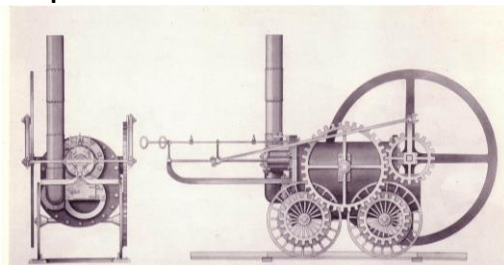
Trevithick the Inventor

He invented a new way to pump water out of the mines.

His most famous invention was

The Puffing Devil

This was the first ever full size steam propelled vehicle in the world.



Richard Trevithick 1771 - 1833

Trevithick the Adventurer

Richard went to find his fortune in the Silver mines of South America

He was away for 11 years

He survived jungles, mountains, and wars

And was nearly eaten by crocodiles!

Find definitions for the key vocabulary

Inventor – a person who invents things

Steam Engine- an engine that uses steam to generate power.

Damper-stops vibration

Engineer- a person who designs and builds engines.

Adit - a passage in a mine.

Shaft- a deep hole in the ground.

Mining- to dig the earth for minerals