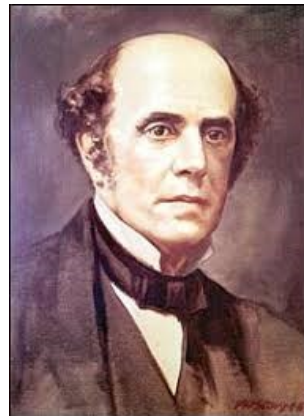


What impact did Thomas Cook have on our lives today?

Key Knowledge and Concepts

Word	Definition
present	Now
different	Not the same
achievement	Something done well
transport	Something that takes goods or people from



Thomas Cook lived in Leicester. He was born in 1808 and died in 1892.

He is famous for creating modern tourism. In 1841, he persuaded the Midland Railway Company to run a special train between Leicester and Loughborough. He then started to arrange trips from Leicester to France and then trips all over Europe.

At the time, he encouraged people to use trains to travel to different destinations. A travel agent was eventually set up called 'Thomas Cook' which became one of the largest travel groups in the world.



A train from the 1800s



Here is a statue of Thomas Cook which can be found in Leicester City town centre.

To find out information about the past we can use the internet or books to help us.