

Learning Trail Stories

1 Windscreen Wimps

In 1900 the driving experience was very different than it is today – most cars had no doors, roof or windscreen. You were exposed to the weather, and clothing was your only protection.

2 Athenia

The passenger liner **Athenia** was sailing in the Atlantic when Britain declared war on Germany. A German U-Boat spotted the liner and thinking it was a British warship, fired three torpedoes. One struck the liner and exploded.

3 Obree

Scottish sporting hero Graeme Obree designed and built his own innovative bikes on which, in the mid-1990s, he achieved worldwide fame when he broke the world 1-hour cycling record and won international championships.

4 Toolbox

The Leyland Firemaster fire engine is designed to carry lots of tools and equipment. The fire services undertake a variety of tasks each day, which require different tools and items of equipment.

5 Main Street

Main Street shows the Glasgow of the 1890s to 1930. Horse drawn vehicles were common. The photographer's studio and Cabinetmakers might not be on street corners today but you might recognise the café, pub and subway.

6 Subway War

During World War II the Subway was as popular as ever and had been modernised and was driven by electricity. A film showing everyday life during the war can be seen in the underground carriage.

7 Glen Douglas

The **Glen Douglas** locomotive travelled on the West Highland railway line between Glasgow and Mallaig for over 40 years. It was powered by a steam engine which required water and coal to operate.

8 St Kilda

St Kilda – a group of islands in the Atlantic – is a very remote place. Access has always been very difficult so the arrival of the **SS Dunara Castle** rowboat was a major event as it delivered provisions to the island.

9 Like A Bird

In 1895 Percy Pilcher, a young Glasgow engineer, made his dream of flight come true when he built his own glider, the **Bat**, in his flat in Byres Road. It was exciting and dangerous work.

10 Blockade Runners

Many Glasgow built steamers were used in the American Civil War to take supplies through the naval blockade of the southern States. Debates raged in Scotland regarding the support for the South, where slavery was still legal.

About The Museum



RIVERSIDE MUSEUM

Glasgow's well-loved Museum of Transport has relocated to a spectacular waterfront landmark building designed by famous architect, Zaha Hadid.

The dynamic new Riverside Museum displays Glasgow's rich travel and transport, and industrial, heritage, much of which was made possible by the River Clyde. The Tall Ship **Glenlee** is berthed alongside the museum, creating a fantastic experience in this stunning setting.

At the Riverside Museum there are over 3,000 objects on display, which include some old favourites, along with many new exhibits. One of the new arrivals is the recently acquired South African locomotive, Glasgow Museums' largest object.

Visitors can relax and enjoy the riverside views in the museum's café, and take home all manner of transport-related gifts from the shop.

We look forward to welcoming you to Riverside Museum.



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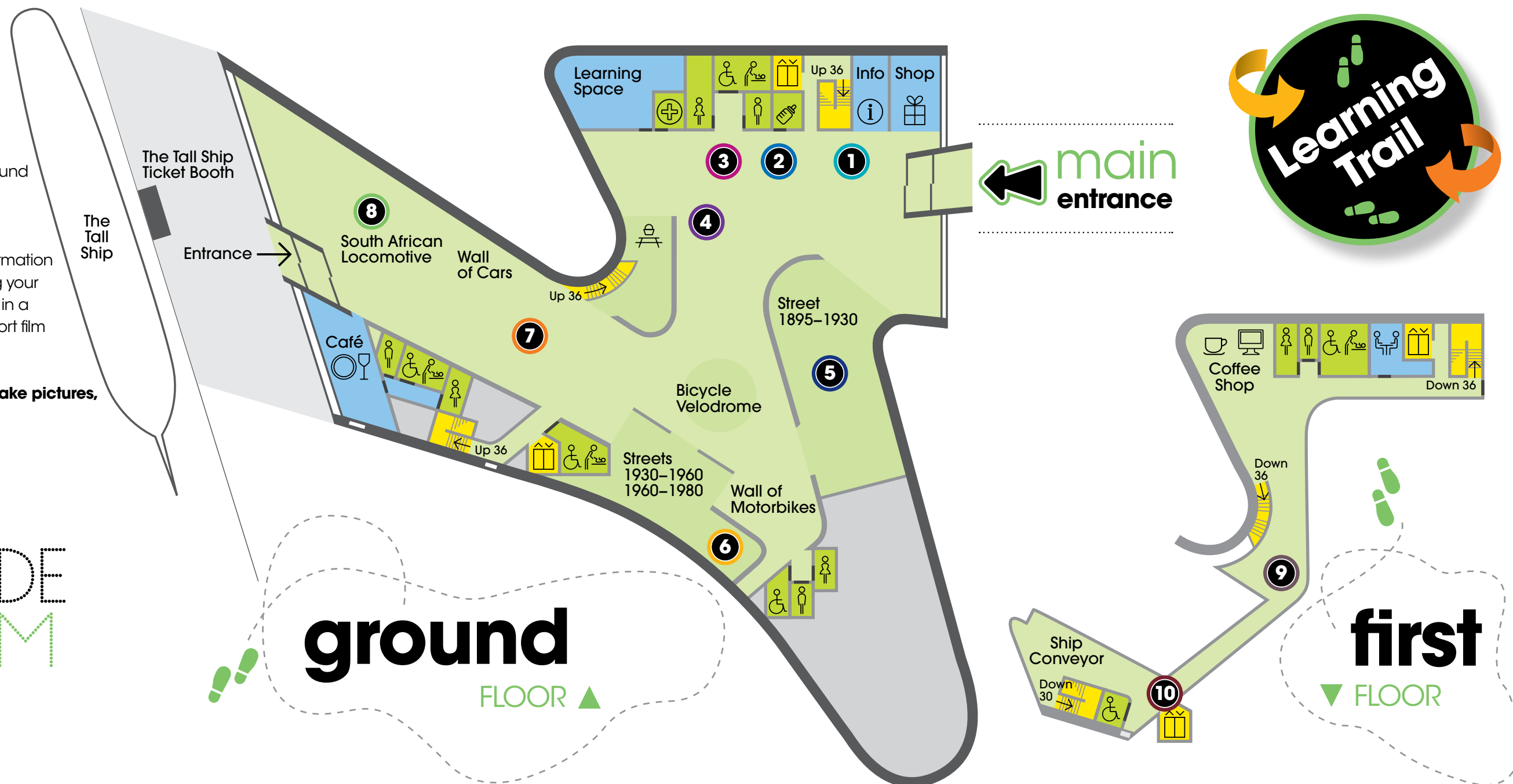
What To Do

Spend 30 minutes walking around and get to know the museum.

Go into small groups, find your display and record all the information you can. You will be presenting your findings to the rest of the class in a powerpoint presentation or short film back at school.

Take notes, make drawings, take pictures, record people speaking, ask staff questions!

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