

# The TranzAlpine train journey

This task is about understanding language features and making inferences about an advertisement.

**Suddenly** you're racing across a viaduct, 76 metres above a fierce snow-fed river. High in the air, the song of many steel wheels is amplified. **Clicketyclacklityclack.** You look down on a toy sized world. Water, lush beech forest. A wandering path. Wildlife. **Whoosh!** You're across the viaduct, and the view's gone.

Arthur's Pass National Park  
Polar Range  
Craigieburn  
Slover Creek Viaduct  
Broken River Viaduct  
Staircase Viaduct  
Tunnels 1 - 16  
Pattersons Creek Viaduct  
Sheffield  
Darfield  
CANTERBURY PLAINS  
Rolleston

**The TranzAlpine Simply Awesome!!**

Look carefully at the advertisement and answer the following questions.

a) A "fierce snow-fed river" would be best described as

- rushing and foamy.  ice covered.  very rapid and cold.  far below the train.

b) What word from the text sounds like "the song of many steel wheels"?

c) Give another example from the advertisement of a word that sounds like the noise it names.

d) The text has been written so that travellers will feel that the TranzAlpine is

- noisy.  scary.  rushed.  exciting.

e) "A wandering path. Wild life. Whoosh." The use of 'W' is an example of:

- alliteration.  simile.  onomatopoeia.  rhyme.