

## **The Physical Facts of Streetcars**

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### **SETTING**

Game show studio

### **PLAYERS**

TROY, played by Vincent

AIRHAWK, played by Austin

FRED, played by Joseph

FRED'S MOM, played by Vincent

AIRHAWK'S MOM, played by Sarah

### **THE PHYSICAL FACTS OF STREETCARS**

TROY: Ladies and gentleman, welcome to the JOVA game show, where we see who is smart and who is not. My name is Troy, and tonight we have two people right here with us to see who is smarter! Tonight we have Airhawk and Fred to square off to see who will get the brand new Apple laptop, now let's meet our two guests. At desk one, we have Airhawk.

AUSTIN: Yo, people, what's up? We are all from the same hood! I love my home dogs.

TROY: And at desk two, we have Fred.

FRED: Hi people, I love you people. Hi mom I see you! I love you. I'll be home late. Can you turn the heat up in the basement so I won't be cold? (kissy noises)

TROY: Here is the game where we ask you questions about streetcar physical facts, each person has five seconds to answer, let's start with Airhawk.

AUSTIN: Ha, nerd, I am going first! Who's yo daddy?!

FRED: 3.14159 is my daddy.

TROY: Airhawk, first question: How many streetcars are in Portland?

AUSTIN: Yo, home dog, there are ten streetcars in Portland.

TROY: I am sorry, "dog," but that is correct!

AUSTIN: Ha, nerd, I am right. Loser.

FRED: I will beat you with my pocket protector.

FRED'S MOM: Fred.

FED: Sorry, mom, I got carried away.

TROY: Now Fred, here is your question. Fill in the blank: Streetcars can hold blank pounds.

FRED: The exact amount that a streetcar can hold is 87,943 pounds. Am I right?

TROY: Fred you are correct! That sure is a big load!

FRED: Exactly, who is the nerd, Airhawk? I am the nerd, who's the nerd? I am the nerd.

TROY: Here is the next question. What is the best measurement used to see how long wires are in a streetcar? This is for the both of you. Is it A: feet, B: inches, C: miles, or D: home dog?

AUSTIN: Uh...home dog?

TROY: Airhawk I am very sorry but you are wrong.

(Austin cries)

FRED: Oh my glasses, stop crying.

TROY: Your turn, Fred.

FRED: The answer is miles.

TROY: That is right Fred, you are in the lead.

AUSTIN: I can't believe I'm being beaten by a... a nerd!

FRED: I am mastering you like I mastered calculus.

TROY: Next question: What is the maximum speed for a streetcar? Airhawk, you first.

AUSTIN: The maximum speed for a streetcar is forty-four miles per hour.

TROY: That is correct, Airhawk.

AUSTIN: Ha ha! I guess it's not just nerds that are smart, huh?

FRED: If you don't put the shut to the up I will beat you with my fanny pack.

FRED'S MOM: Fred!

FRED: Sorry, ma!

TROY: Here is the next question, Fred: How much money does it take to buy a streetcar?

FRED: A streetcar cost three-point-five to four million dollars just to buy one streetcar.

TROY: That is correct!

TROY: The last question: How much does an empty streetcar weigh?

AUSTIN: Yo, brothah from another mothah, a streetcar weighs 27,999 kilograms.

TROY: Oh, I'm sorry, but that is wrong! Fred, this is your last chance to get that Apple laptop.

FRED: An empty streetcar weighs 28,000 kilograms.

TROY: That is correct! Wow! That sure is one heavy streetcar.

FRED: Oh my gosh I've actually just won. I just made nerd history.

AUSTIN: Mommy I just lost to a nerd.

AIRHAWK'S MOM: That's okay; I will still love you, but not as much. Oh, my gosh, I can't believe I gave birth to this loser!

TROY: That is it folks. Come back next week and watch Fred go up against a jock to win another high tech computer. Thank you for watching!