

The Lyrics of Spirituals

Instructions:

Read through the lyrics to “This Train” and “Woke Up This Mornin’.” Underline words and phrases that might have been used to transmit information related to the Underground Railroad.

“This Train”

Verse 1:

This train is bound for glory, this train. (Repeat.)
This train is bound for glory, I'm not telling you a story.
This train is leaving, get on board.

Verse 2:

This train don't carry sleepers, this train. (Repeat.)
This train don't carry sleepers, its got none but righteous peoples.
This train is leaving, get on board.

“Woke Up This Mornin' ”

Verse 1:

I woke up this mornin' with my mind, it was stayed on freedom. (Repeat three times.)
Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia.

Verse 2:

Walkin' and talkin' with my mind, it was stayed on freedom. (Repeat three times.)
Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia.

Verse 3:

Devil can't get me when my mind, it was stayed on freedom. (Repeat three times.)
Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia.