

Around the World in 80 Days

by Jules Verne

Jules Verne's thrilling adventure follows the unflappable Phileas Fogg and his valet Passepartout as they race across continents and oceans to win a bet that the globe can be circled in 80 days.

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Power Words

#	WORD	DEFINITION
1	audacious	adj. showing a willingness to take risks. <i>"The wager itself was audacious — eighty days was a figure most members of the Reform Club dismissed outright."</i>
1	calculated	adj. done with careful thought and planning. <i>"Every expenditure Fogg made was calculated to the penny, yet he spent freely when speed required it of him."</i>
1	circumnavigate	v. to travel all the way around something. <i>"To circumnavigate the globe in eighty days was considered by most Victorians an impossible and reckless undertaking."</i>
1	exasperated	adj. feeling very annoyed or frustrated. <i>"Fix grew exasperated as his warrant failed to arrive and Fogg slipped steadily eastward beyond his reach."</i>
1	frantically	adv. in a hurried and excited way often because of worry or fear. <i>"Passepartout searched frantically for an alternative vessel, sprinting the length of the Liverpool docks in the freezing dark."</i>
1	imperturbable	adj. not easily excited or upset. <i>"Fogg remained imperturbable as the steamer ran aground, consulting his timetable as calmly as if at his London club."</i>
1	improvise	v. to create or perform without preparation. <i>"When the railroad ended abruptly in the snow, Fogg did not hesitate to improvise a wind-powered sledge."</i>
1	methodical	adj. done in an orderly and careful way. <i>"Fogg was so methodical that his neighbours could set their watches by the moment he left his door."</i>
1	persevere	v. to keep trying despite difficulties or failure. <i>"Despite arrest, shipwreck, and blizzard, Fogg resolved to persevere, never once betraying agitation by so much as a frown."</i>
1	punctually	adv. at the exact time; not late. <i>"Fogg arrived punctually at every departure, regarding a missed connection as a moral failing of the gravest order."</i>
1	relentless	adj. showing no signs of stopping or lessening. <i>"Fix pursued his suspect with relentless determination, boarding every steamer and train that Fogg chose to take."</i>
1	resolute	adj. admirably purposeful, determined, and unwavering. <i>"Fogg was resolute in recovering Aouda even when the detour threatened to cost him the entire wager."</i>
1	tenaciously	adv. In a manner that is very determined to do something and not easily discouraged. <i>"Passepartout tenaciously clung to the roof of the moving train, refusing to release his grip above the ravine."</i>
1	triumphantly	adv. in a way that shows great joy after a victory. <i>"Passepartout burst triumphantly into the Reform Club with seconds remaining, vindicating every mile of their extraordinary journey."</i>
1	unforeseen	adj. not anticipated or predicted. <i>"Every unforeseen delay — a storm, a blockade, a festival — Fogg absorbed into his schedule without visible distress."</i>