Task Title: Purchase a Train Ticket Online

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Learner Name: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Successful Completion: Yes ☐   No ☐

Goal Path: Employment ☐   Apprenticeship ☐

Secondary School ☐   Post Secondary ☐   Independence ☐

Task Description: The learner will follow the steps for purchasing a Via Rail train ticket online.

Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:

- Use Digital Technology/D.2

Materials Required:

- Pen/pencil and paper
- Computer or digital device

Learner Information

Most tickets for buses, subways, and trains can be purchased online. This can be helpful when you are planning a trip. Sometimes purchasing tickets in advance can save you money.

Read the "Train Trip Booking" Scenario.

Train Trip Booking

You wish to purchase tickets from Stratford to Toronto (Union Station) and back (round trip tickets). You will be departing on the 1st of next month and returning three days later on the 4th. You need tickets for one adult (18-64) and one child (2-12). If possible, you would prefer a direct travel option without train connections. You would also prefer to travel in the morning and you wish to purchase the cheapest tickets available.

Go to the Via Rail Canada website: https://www.viarail.ca/en

Work Sheet

Task 1: Using the information provided in the scenario, complete the fields required to start the process of booking the train tickets, and select "Search".

Answer: No written response required here.

Task completed: Yes: ☐

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Task 2: What is the earliest departure time available on the 1st and what time will the train arrive in Toronto?

Answer:

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Task 3: Which fare provides the best value for this train?

Answer:

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Task 4: With the fare you have selected, list the additional cost if you wish to bring a carry-on item.

Answer:

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Task 5: Select the fare you have chosen. What time does your return train leave Toronto on the 4th and what time will you arrive in Stratford?

Answer:

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Answers

Note: Answers are current as of April 2025. You may wish to confirm this information on the Via Rail website as train schedules and fares may change.

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Answer: No written response required here.

Task completed: Yes: ☐

Task 2: What is the earliest departure time available on the 1st and what time will the train arrive in Toronto?

Answers will vary. As of April 2025, there are direct trains from Stratford to Toronto each morning departing at 11:16am and arriving at 13:38.

Task 3: Which fare provides the best value for this train?

Answers may vary. The Economy Class Escape Fare is Via Rail's cheapest fare option as of April 2025.

Task 4: With the fare you have selected, list the additional cost if you wish to bring a carry-on item.

Answer: $25

Task 5: Select the fare you have chosen. What time does your return train leave Toronto on the 4th and what time will you arrive in Stratford?

Answers will vary. As of April 2025, there are direct trains from Toronto to Stratford departing each evening at 17:40 and arriving at 19:47.

Performance Descriptors

Levels	Performance Descriptors	Needs Work	Completes task with support from practitioner	Completes task independently
D.2	selects and follows appropriate steps to complete tasks			
	locates and recognizes functions and commands			
	makes low-level inferences to interpret icons and text			
	begins to identify sources and evaluate information			
	performs simple searches using keywords (e.g. internet, software help menu)			

This task: Was successfully completed ☐ Needs to be tried again ☐

Learner Comments:

Instructor (print):   Learner (print):

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