

The five new transportation methods!

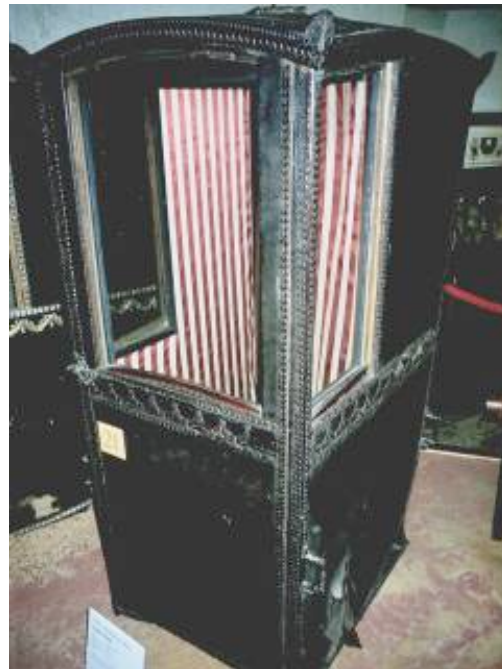
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Do you know how we will be transported? We will be transported in 5 new methods.

The sedan chair or Guanjiao is the name given to the wealthier people's sedan chairs. The sedan chair is carried by bearers or slaves. There was a special sedan chair or Guanjiao is decorated with sedan silk all around it. There is a sedan chair for the civil servants called Minjiao. This sedan chair is mostly wood and normally uncomfortable.

There are various sedan chairs for different occasions. Like there is one for weddings and one to just to go out.

The Guanjiao (left) is more elegant than the Minjiao), which is used for civil servant.



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Then there is the wheelbarrow, which was first used to carry rice to harvester's homes. But it can also be used to

transport people. The wheelbarrow has 1 or 2 wheels and is carried by 2 people. It is thought the Europeans invented the wheelbarrow but actually the Chinese invented the wheelbarrow in 118 B.C.

The oxcart was very popular. It may be slow but can carry a big capacity. It can carry big loads of rice and people. The oxcart is pulled by an oxen. It is named the oxcart because of the animal that carries the cart. For example there is a horse carts and a dogcarts.



Sculpture of oxcart.

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Now there is the chariot, which is mostly use by mandarins. The horse is the most important part to the chariot. The chariots were used in the war.

Junks, were used for trade by the Chinese. They are boats you will mostly see them in canals for import and export. Also to travel to farther places. The junk looks like now in day boats.

Now all the methods of transportation were popular because people can get around the city. Also because they can help us win battles with the chariot. Finally because they can take us to festival and other important events. In

conclusion without transportation we would be on foot the rest of our life.

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