



Legend has it that in 1945, the Nazis filled a train with up to 300 tons of gold, jewels, and masterpieces. They drove it into secret tunnels in an area of Germany. This area is now part of Poland.

A group of Polish **enthusiasts** are building a full-size replica of this famous train. The group is working in an old wood processing factory. These people already have an armoured wagon, which is over 12 metres long. Now, they will build three **armoured freight cars** and an armoured locomotive.

Then they will move everything and connect it to a tunnel. This will look like the train has arrived. The group hopes that this will become the area's tourist attraction.

**Difficult words:** **enthusiast** (a person who is very interested in something), **armoured** (protected by metal), **freightcar** (a railway wagon for carrying freight – cargo, things).

**Discussion Questions****Topic Talk**

1. Define the following words: *enthusiast*, *armoured* and *freightcar*
2. What did the Nazis do with the train that was filled with tons of gold, jewels and masterpieces?
3. What are Polish enthusiasts from a wood polishing factory building?
4. How are they going to make the full-size replica of the famous Nazi train?
5. Why does the group of Polish enthusiasts decide to make the replica of the train?

**Express Your Thoughts**

1. Have you heard of the Nazi train that was loaded with treasure?  
What do you know about it?
2. Do you believe some people in the past buried treasure such as gold, gems, etc?
3. Have you heard about buried treasure in your country that were found after so many years?
4. If you came across some gold coins which could worth a lot of money while digging in your backyard, would you keep them or surrender them to the authority?