

# A Train's Interactions



- 1 Identify the sphere(s) this photo would be in and explain why.
- 2 Identify 3 types of interactions that might occur here.
- 3 Identify 3 types of interactions that humans might have here.
- 4 Identify potential animal and plant life that might live here.

## **Potential Answers:**

### **Atmosphere and geosphere and biosphere:**

#### **Atmosphere:**

- A train's operation produces emissions that can contribute to air pollution, such as nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, and particulate matter.
- A train's operation produces noise pollution, which can be a nuisance to nearby residents.
- A train's operation produces heat, which can increase the temperature of the air around it.
- Trains can cause air pollution from the burning of fossil fuels like oil and gas.
- Trains can create dust, which can be inhaled and lead to respiratory issues.

#### **Geosphere:**

- A train requires metal to construct, which is mined from the Earth.
- A train runs on tracks, which are constructed from materials such as steel, stone, and concrete.
- A train's operation produces vibrations that can cause soil erosion and damage to structures, such as buildings and bridges.

#### **Biosphere:**

- A train can help reduce traffic congestion, which helps to improve air quality.
- A train can transport people and goods, which helps create jobs and economic opportunities.
- Trains can carry more people and goods than cars, reducing the number of vehicles on the road.
- Passengers on trains emit less air pollution than those travelling in cars or buses.