Edmondson

(Stamp, stamp, stamp - click, click)

Verse 1

Back when the railway had just begun Trying to travel was not much fun It took a long, long time

The journey was written out by hand Money went missing from the funds they had It couldn't get much worse

Queues on the platform if you could stick it Waiting forever for a paper ticket Then came a clever station master Thought he could make it faster

Chorus

Edmondson - Something the world had never seen Edmondson - His simply incredible - Ticket machine

Verse 2

He worked on the problem day and night Tried a lot of things 'til he got it right Cardboard of standard size

He made a machine, printed ticket batches Stamped each one, to sell through hatches He died a wealthy man

Ticketing legacy, amazing story
Marvellous invention brought fame and glory
Brand new system from the station master
Foot stamps would make it faster

Chorus

Edmondson...

(Stamp, stamp, stamp - click, click)

Rappers:

Yo, Yo, It's all about the ticket bro!

Ticket Masters:

Hey, can you tell me where you're goin'

Passengers:

It might be Paris, but today I'm goin' To see my family, over in the city And I need a ticket, to get me there

Ticket Masters:

Just a minute, it'll be ten shillings First I'll get it, then I'll stamp it Then I'll slide it over to you

Passengers:

Thanks we'll be off to where we're goin'

Ticket Masters:

Have a nice journey, your trains' at 10.30

Everyone:

Thanks to Thomas we're ON OUR WAY!

Chorus

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Everyone:

Yo, Yo, it's all about the ticket bro!

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