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## Days of Wonder Debuts Alexa Skills for Ticket to Ride

**Paris, France –** *November 14, 2019.* Amazon and Days of Wonder are changing how players experience board games by introducing the first official Alexa skills for *Ticket to Ride* and *Ticket to Ride Europe* for free to welcome new players aboard the award-winning games by Alan R. Moon and act as conductors for even the most experienced rail-riders. These skills replace the rule books by taking players on a guided experience of the games and offer the option to use it as an additional player. Days of Wonder is excited to announce that both official skills are available now in English and French languages in the United States, the United Kingdom, and France.

After saying, "Alexa, launch Ticket to Ride" or "Alexa, launch Ticket to Ride Europe," players are taken on a guided journey from setup to the end of the game for either game. No matter the player's experience level, the skills offer new ways to play and learn. For those new to the game, they offer full rules walkthroughs during play sessions. Veteran players can skip the walkthroughs and use other helpful tools that are part of the experience. The skills customize themselves to the number of players and track their remaining trains, the longest route, points, and more. They also act as an additional player for groups looking for an extra person or anyone who wants to get in a solo game against the skill itself. While each player takes their turn, the skills provide thematic background music and sound effects to immerse everyone in the world of *Ticket to Ride*.

"Ticket to Ride is a fast-paced, immersive board game experience that is now being elevated by voice," said Joe Balzarini, Director, Alexa Skills. "We're thrilled to be working with Days of Wonder to bring these skills to life and provide customers with an immersive, interactive voice gaming experience."

"Working with Amazon to bring the Ticket to Ride and Ticket to Ride Europe Skills to Alexaenabled devices has been exciting. We believe this is a great way for players to discover these classic games for the first time or in an amazing new way," said Adrien Martinot, Head of Days of Wonder.

Days of Wonder is eager for players to experience the free *Ticket to Ride* and *Ticket to Ride Europe* skills for themselves. Additional languages and territories will be supported soon to ensure players around the world can learn and play *Ticket to Ride* and *Ticket to Ride Europe* like never before.

## **About Days of Wonder**

Days of Wonder develops and publishes unique games in their genre. The company's "Play Different" slogan reflects its vision of publishing: Days of Wonder limits its productions to very few new games, focusing on quality rather than quantity, and developing highly refined digital adaptations. The unparalleled successes—such as *Ticket to Ride*, the world's best-selling train game; *Small World* and its epic conquests in a fantastic universe; and *Memoir '44*, the World War II reference game with over twenty expansions—motivate Days of Wonder to raise the bar ever higher. Days of Wonder board games are distributed in 40 countries and their digital versions are available on the App Store, Google Play, Steam, and the Days of Wonder website at <a href="https://www.daysofwonder.com">www.daysofwonder.com</a>.

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