



DESCRIPTION AND SUGGESTED USES

Made in Germany and patented in the USA on May 12, 1903 these tin toy cars were very popular. They were lightweight, detailed, colorful and affordable. Lehmann's toys were exported around the world with German and English instructions. Artifact courtesy of the Colorado Springs Pioneers' Museum.

SUGGESTED USES

1. Compare and contrast this toy car with toy cars of today.
 - a. How is this toy the same as toys of today?
 - b. What is different about the toys of today?
 - i. *Are they made of the same materials*
 - ii. *Are they more sophisticated in their function or operation*
 - c. Have toys really changed over the years, or do children play with essentially the same toys that have been updated to reflect changes in materials or manufacture?
2. What does this toy from 1903 tell us about society at the time it was made?
 - a. Why do you think it was manufactured in Germany?
 - b. Would this toy be popular today? Why or why not?
3. Compare and contrast the Tin Toy Tank, the Toy Cash Register Bank and this item.
 - a. What is the same about these items?
 - b. What is different about these items?
 - c. How do these items reflect changes occurring in adult society?
 - d. Do you think that toys are a part of acclimating/teaching children about adult society? What lessons do toys of today teach us, or do they?