

Altar

“(the chinese erected an altar and thanked buddha)”

A usually raised structure or place on which sacrifices are offered or incense is burned in worship.

Debate

“after much debate / common sense prevailed / the chinese are now allowed / to sit anywhere / on any train”

To engage in an argument or discussion involving opposing viewpoints.

Derail

“until a train derailed / killing all those / in front”

To cause (a train, streetcar, etc.) to run off the rails of a track.

Opportunity

“in early canada / when railways were highways / each stop brought new opportunities”

A good position, chance, or prospect, as for advancement or success.

Prevail

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To succeed; become dominant.