

Louisiana Orphan Train Reading Comprehension

The New York Foundling Hospital was founded in 1869 by Sr. Mary Irene Fitzgibbon. Sr. Fitzgibbon was a Catholic nun who belonged to the Sisters of Charity order in New York, New York. In the spring of April and May in 1907, three trains arrived in Opelousas, Louisiana with orphaned children from the New York Foundling Hospital. These "Orphan Train Riders" each wore a tag and an identification number. The foster parents held a corresponding number to match them to their assigned child at the train depots.

Fill in the blanks:

The New York Foundling Hospital was founded in the year _____ by _____ . In 1907, three trains arrived in the town of _____ in the state of _____. The children all wore a _____ and had an identification number. The parents held a corresponding _____ to get their assigned child.