WHAT IS A PORT?

A port is a place where cargo is loaded and unloaded. At Port NOLA, we connect Louisiana to the world in many ways – by river, rail, and roads. Port NOLA is also a popular cruise port.
**MANY TYPES OF CARGO MOVE THROUGH PORT NOLA**

Many of the items you use every day either came through a port or were made with materials that did.

Some of the goods we move most often:

- Rubber
- Aluminum
- Coffee
- Plastics
- Steel
- Chicken
- Fruit
- Furniture
- Paper

*Can you find them all?*
Port NOLA cares about the air we breathe and the water we drink. We look for ways to help take care of the earth. Moving cargo by barge on the river and by trucks with cleaner engines makes a difference.

**MOVING CARGO WITH THE ENVIRONMENT IN MIND**
Port NOLA has its own railroad that helps move cargo to cities and towns in the United States and Canada. Tchoup the Safety Crawfish wants to remind you not to play on the railroad tracks and always pay attention to crossing signals.

Hi my name is Tchoup!
Businesses Rent Space From the Port

Port NOLA earns money by collecting rent from businesses located on Port property. Tourists love to visit Mardi Gras World, one of the Port’s tenants, where floats are made for Mardi Gras parades. Thousands of tons of your Mardi Gras favorites are imported through the Port every year.

Can you break the code to reveal some examples?

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Beads, Cups, Dozilooms, Stuffed Animals, Blinky Bracelets
CRUISING FROM PORT NOLA IS LIKE 2 VACATIONS IN 1

People from all over the world take cruises to the Caribbean and up the Mississippi River from Port NOLA. And many stay in New Orleans before or after their cruises.

Attractions in New Orleans
- Aquarium of the Americas
- Famous restaurants
- Historic French Quarter
- Audubon Zoo
- Swamp tours
- World War II Museum
- Antebellum plantation homes
- World-class shopping and art
- Steamboat excursions
JOBS IN OUR COMMUNITY

1. These people help guide big ships on the river.
2. These people drive cargo to and from the Port.
3. These people design the Port’s facilities.
4. These people move cargo on and off ships.
5. These people help trains follow safety rules.
6. These people lead teams of employees.
7. These people move heavy things in warehouses.
8. These people keep the Port community safe.

It takes a lot of people and many different kinds of jobs to make the Port run smoothly. When you grow up, you might want to consider working on the Mighty Mississippi River.

Can you solve the puzzle to discover those jobs?

- River Pilots
- Truck Drivers
- Police Officers
- Engineers
- Managers
- Conductors
- Forklift Drivers
- Longshoremen

1 River Pilots, 2 Truck Drivers, 3 Engineers, 4 Managers, 5 Conductors, 6 Managers, 7 Forklift Drivers, 8 Police Officers

With your parents’ permission, you can learn more about Port NOLA on-line at portnola.com.