

More about: Nellie Bly

At this point, the whole country was reading about Nellie's journey and rooting for her to finish on time. To avoid the snow, Nellie's magazine arranged for a private train to take her through the southern half of the country. She arrived back in New York on January 25, 1890—in a record 72 days! Though her record was broken a few months later, Nellie's bravery and commitment to journalism live on.



Nellie Bly's homecoming reception Jersey City, New Jersey February 8, 1890



Create Your Own Board Game!

Nellie's trip inspired a real-life board game called "Round the World with Nellie Bly." The object of the game is to go "around the world," by rolling dice and advancing through 72 spaces. Try making your own!

You'll need:

- A piece of thick paper or cardboard (pizza boxes work well!)
- · Pencil and markers
- Game pieces (borrow from another game or get creative)
- · Dice
- Using pencil first, draw a winding path about
 1-2 inches wide on your board. If you're stumped, try
 a big S-shape!
- Once you're happy with the path, outline it with marker. Then, draw in smaller lines to create spaces, leaving enough room to write in some.
- Add in directions like "Lose a turn" or "Move ahead 2 spaces." Make it a real adventure!
- Ready to play? Use the dice and game pieces to move through the game.

Whoever makes it to the end fastest wins!

