
Subject: Unknown Airline gold metal radio
Posted by [DaBrain](#) on Mon, 27 Mar 2006 21:44:08 GMT
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I came across this Airline tube radio. It's in a gold hammertoned metal case. Built in speaker plays out the bottom. It's about size of a shoe box. AM with 2 knobs in front, some type of wire (power?) on the right and a mounting lug on the rear. Looks to me like an automotive type radio. Can't find any pics or info. Any help would be great to ID this unit.

Subject: Re: Unknown Airline gold metal radio
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Tue, 28 Mar 2006 15:35:37 GMT
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That's cool. It does look like a car radio, I agree. I wonder if Montgomery Ward sold add-on radios to be installed under dash in cars. That's really cool, and I hope someone that knows will wade in and comment. Does it work?

Subject: Re: Unknown Airline gold metal radio
Posted by [DaBrain](#) on Tue, 28 Mar 2006 20:07:15 GMT
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I have no ide on how to test it 12v? or 6v?..etc. I have included another picture of it. there is a stamping similar to the "inspected by 18" stamp which reads TES-28.

Subject: Re: Unknown Airline gold metal radio
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Tue, 28 Mar 2006 21:14:35 GMT
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I am guessing it is designed to work on 12VDC, maybe 6VDC. I would look inside and see where the power wires went. If I could identify something that set a requirement - like knowing that the power line went directly to 12V filaments - then I would feel comfortable knowing what the input voltage was supposed to be. I expect the power line drives a vibrator which then drives a step-up transformer, rectified to produce B+. That's probably what supplies anode voltage for the tubes. But you gotta look and see. If you're not very technical, maybe there's an old-school TV repairman in your area that can help.
