



# JRSO

**Junior Road Safety Officer**

How to help your school stay safer on the road

## Teacher's Booklet

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# School Guide

## Welcome

Thank you for volunteering to be a school guide for the Junior Road Safety Officer (JRSO) scheme. This initiative gives pupils the opportunity to lead on promoting road safety to their school communities – in a fun way, while getting serious messages across.

This school guide pack includes more information about the scheme and your role, tips on giving guidance to your JRSOs and details of where to get more help, if you need it.

Each JRSO also gets their own pack. You'll find more details of what they receive on [page 4](#), and these introductory pages are followed by a full copy of the pack.

By supporting your school's JRSOs, you're not only making a difference to road safety in your local community, you're also part of a project that gives pupils an active role in road safety education.

Hampshire County Council is committed to reducing the number of children killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents on Hampshire's roads by 20% from the 2004 to 2008 average by 2020. The interim target is to achieve 50% of the targeted reduction by 2015.

This scheme is just one of a range of educational resources we provide for children and young people. For more information on resources available for schools to borrow contact the Road Safety Team on 01962 846100 or email [jrso@hants.gov.uk](mailto:jrso@hants.gov.uk)



For more information, see [www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)



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## About the scheme



### The JRSO's role

Schools usually choose one or two JRSOs from Years Five or Six. Their job is to spread road safety messages to your school community by giving talks, running competitions, putting up posters and using as many other fun ideas as they can come up with – using tips from the JRSO pack.

### Your role

Your role is to recruit JRSOs and then supervise them through activities and offer support and guidance. You'll need to work through the JRSO pack with them, help develop ideas and give practical support and encouragement for tasks. To get the most out of your JRSOs, meet with them regularly, to set tasks or check they have set realistic deadlines for themselves.

### Recruiting your JRSOs

You can select one from Year Five and one from Year Six. You could ask pupils to complete application forms - an example is included on the next page for photocopying – and make a selection based on their answers. Some schools also conduct interviews.

Alternatively, you could run a road safety competition, or get students to nominate their representatives. Having an informal talk with candidates before deciding who will take on the role will check they understand the job and they really want to do it.

**"The selection process is a great experience for pupils."**  
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## Junior Road Safety Officer Application form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_

Interests \_\_\_\_\_

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Why do you want to be a Junior Road Safety Officer?

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Why would you be a good Junior Road Safety Officer?

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Sign \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



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## The JRSO pack

The JRSO pack is designed as an easy-to-use resource to help the JRSOs promote road safety around your school. A full version of the pack follows these introductory pages.

The pack is arranged into four sections:

Section title	What's covered
My job	An introduction to being a JRSO, tips for getting the message across through assemblies, competitions, posters and other fun ideas. There's also a year planner with topic ideas for each month.
Staying street safe	Useful road safety advice which can be used as the basis for class talks and other activities. Plus a handy list of road safety-related websites to visit for further information.
Activities	Plenty of fun ideas for helping schoolmates learn about road safety, including a quiz, word searches and a crossword. These could just be used as activities, or as the basis for competitions.
Activity solutions	Answers to the puzzles in the previous section.

While the ideas and activities in the pack provide a good starting point, the scheme is flexible so your JRSOs can do the tasks that best suit them and your school community. As you work through the pack with the JRSOs, encourage them to use their creativity and enthusiasm to develop their own ideas, and offer support to make them work for your school.

### JRSO pack



To order more JRSO packs, contact your road safety officer. Or download a PDF from our website: [www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)

"The scheme seems to have street cred!"  
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## Giving guidance

### Assembly or classroom talks (see JRSO pack page MJ 1)

The pack encourages JRSOs to give talks in both school assemblies and the classroom – perhaps once a month.

Your JRSOs may want help choosing a topic. They can get ideas from the year planner (page MJ 16), the staying street safe facts in the green section or other weather websites (page SSS 20).

Encourage them to be creative. They could ask questions, get other students to help or make up songs and plays. Offer them a chance to practice with you first.

### Running competitions (see JRSO pack page MJ 2)

Competitions are a great way to get people interested in road safety and they can involve the whole school, not just Years Five and Six.

Your JRSOs may need help picking a theme. They can use their year planner (page MJ 16), road safety websites (page SSS 20) or, for extra impact, you could suggest tying it in with an assembly or class talk the JRSOs are giving. You may also need to help them choose a time and decide on a format.

The worksheets in the Activities section could be photocopied for use as competitions. There are a lot of ideas on page MJ 3, or your JRSOs could come up with brand new ones. Remember that the activities and suggestions provided are only a guide and the JRSOs own ideas may be more relevant for your school.



**“Have fun and take  
it seriously!”**  
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To judge entries, JRSOs should enlist the help of you, their head teacher or other appropriate judge. There are winners' certificates on page MJ 5 to photocopy, or you can print them from our website:



**[www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)**. Or, if they are keen, JRSOs can make their own.

You could also help out with finding prizes. Winners can be announced in assembly and winning entries posted around school.

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## Putting up posters (see JRSO pack page MJ 8 and MJ 11)

Why not encourage JRSOs to put posters up around the school reminding everyone to stay safe? There should be posters included with your JRSO packs but, if there aren't any or you need more, you can order them from The Road Safety Team – or download them from the website:



[www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)

**"It can take time  
to get things going  
– so be patient."  
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The JRSOs can also make their own road safety posters and hold poster competitions (page MJ 2). Remind them to make sure the posters are bright and clear with a simple message to attract attention.

## More fun ideas (see JRSO pack page MJ 12)

The pack gives examples of other things JRSOs have been doing across Hampshire. You could help your JRSOs try some of these.

For example, if your JRSOs are planning a lunch club, you may need to advise them on the best way to advertise it, and help them decide on the format and how to keep it fun.

There is no end to the ways your JRSOs can promote road safety. So keep encouraging them to be creative and find the best ways for your school.

**"Guide the JRSOs but  
let them do most of the  
work and come up with  
their own ideas."  
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## Help and support

Your road safety officer can give advice and assistance to you and your JRSOs throughout the scheme. Contact the Road Safety Team on 01962 846100 or email [jrso@hants.gov.uk](mailto:jrso@hants.gov.uk)



Check out our website: [www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)

Here you'll find all the information in the JRSO pack.

You can also download extra copies of certificates, competitions and other useful pages. Alternatively, the JRSOs could photocopy the pages in their packs, if they plan to use them again. Remind them not to write on the originals if they want to make copies.

"Give it a go, it's worth it! Children enjoy it and it's easy to follow."  
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### Surfing for safety

See page SSS 20 of the JRSO pack for useful road safety websites for your JRSOs. Here are some extra sites you might find useful:

<http://think.direct.gov.uk>

Find out about the Government's latest campaigns and road safety advice to keep everyone safer on our roads.

[www.rosipa.com/roadsafety](http://www.rosipa.com/roadsafety)

Click 'Teachers' to download free resources from the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents to help you incorporate road safety education into lesson activities.

[www.dft.gov.uk](http://www.dft.gov.uk)

National guidance on road safety from the Department for Transport.

Welcome to the  
**Junior Road  
Safety Officer's  
Pack**



**This pack  
belongs to**



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# Congratulations

**You're a Junior Road Safety Officer!**

Your job is to tell everyone in your school how to stay safe on the road –  
**and to have fun while you do it!**



There's information in this pack to help you talk about road safety, run cool competitions, put posters up around your school – and find new ways to get the word out about road safety.



One of your school teachers or helpers will be your school guide. They can help you be the best Junior Road Safety Officer (JRSO) possible. You can also ask your road safety officer for advice. They know all about road safety! Write their details in **My contacts** on the next page.

We're the Street Safe Squad. Jasmine, Reggie, Su Li and me, Ollie. We'll guide you through this pack and show you how much fun being a JRSO can be!



# All about this pack

## My job

In the purple section, you'll find everything you need to do your job. Learn how to run competitions, talk about road safety in assembly or in the classroom and put up posters around your school. We've included lots of other fun ideas from other JRSOs across Hampshire, and useful things to help you, like certificates to give to competition winners. There's also a year planner to look up road safety topics for each month, and write your appointments in. Why not have a meeting with your school guide or teacher to decide where you're going to start?

## Staying street safe

In the green section, learn how to stay safe on Hampshire's roads by using the Green Cross Code – and know your puffin from your pelican as you find safer places to cross. Whether you're playing, or travelling by car or bus, follow our advice for being safe. Use this section to help you decide what messages to get across to your school. Also, discover which websites are worth surfing for more facts.

## Activities

In the blue section, you'll find examples of activities you can use to get your school involved. You'll find spot the hazards, a road safety quiz, words to unscramble, word searches, a crossword and more. You could use these as competitions.

## Activity solutions

In the orange section, you'll get all the answers to the activities. If you use the activities as competitions, you can mark entries with your school guide and choose a winner.



**Don't forget** – you might need to use the pages in this pack, like the activities and certificates, more than once so it is a good idea not to write on them. That way you can photocopy them again and again. You can also download copies from our website: [www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)

# My contacts



My school guide is called:

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My road safety officer is called:

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And their contact details are:

✉ Address:

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☎ Telephone number:

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@ Email address:

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Other contacts:

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**Ask your school guide or road safety officer  
whenever you need help.**

# Log on for lots more!



**You'll see this sign throughout the pack. It means there's more information waiting for you on our website:**

**[www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)**

You can find a list of other useful road safety websites on page SSS 20.



# My job

Your mission starts here!



- **Speak up**  
Telling people about road safety
- **Win, win, win!**  
Running fun competitions
- **It's a stick up!**  
Putting up posters
- **Be inspired!**  
Fun ideas from other JRSOs
- **Year planner**  
Road safety topics for each month

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Name: Jasmine  
Likes: Fashion, magazines, new shoes and music  
Dislikes: Dangerous drivers

## Speak up

### Telling people about road safety

#### First things first!

As an official JRSO, your first mission is to introduce yourself in your school assembly!

You can also put the **All about me** poster (page MJ 6) on a school notice board to make sure everyone knows you're a JRSO.

When you've done that, you can start planning talks in assemblies, class or small groups to get the rest of your school involved and help them learn. One talk a month would be a good target to aim for.

#### So how do you do it? Here are our top tips:

- Decide on a **time** with your school guide or teacher.
- Choose a **topic** to talk about – use your **year planner** (page MJ 11 and 12) for ideas for each month, get advice from your school guide or road safety officer, or visit road safety websites (page SSS 20).
- Think of ways to get your **audience** involved and to keep their attention. You could ask questions, get others to help you, or make up songs and plays.
- Use assemblies to talk about new **competitions** or announce competition winners and give out certificates and prizes too.
- Remember practice makes perfect, so **practice** what you'll say in front of your friends and family.
- Speak **loudly, clearly and slowly** during your talk, but most of all remember to have fun!











## Win, win, win!

### Running competitions

Holding exciting competitions will get everyone in your school interested in road safety. You can find examples of activities, such as quizzes and word searches, to base your competitions around in the **Activities** section, or on the road safety websites on page SSS 20.

### Follow these steps:

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-  Pick a **topic**. Look at your **year planner** on page MJ 11 and 12 for help or search websites for more information and inspiration on road safety (page SSS 20).
  -  Choose with your school guide the best **time** to run competitions.
  -  Think about **who** the competition is for – is it just for your class, a couple of year groups or the whole school?
  -  Now decide what **type** of competition you want to run - see our competition ideas on the next page.
  -  **Tell everyone** about the competition and when and where they need to hand their entries in. Put up posters, tell people in class or assembly, or use your school website if you have one.
  -  You can make a **collection box** (page MJ 4) for people to post their entries in and put it in a place where everyone can see it. Make sure you tell everyone to write their **name and class** on the entries so you know who the winner is.
  -  Next, ask an adult to be a **judge** and pick the winners of the competition. This could be your school guide, another teacher or your head teacher. If the competition is for the whole school, they could choose winners from each year group.



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# My job



Give out **certificates** for the best entries, like the one at the back of this school guide. Ask your school guide to photocopy it, or print more copies from our website: [www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)



Write the winner's name, class and what competition they won on the lines. Or you could always design your own.



Your school guide may help you find some prizes to give the winners.



Why not **announce the winners** in class or assembly? They could come to the front to collect their certificate or prize. Winning entries could be displayed on a notice board or wall for everyone to see.

## Competition ideas

There are endless possibilities for the type of road safety competitions you could run. Here are just a few ideas:

- Use one of the **activities** provided in the blue section.
- Write a **song, poem or rap** – you could ask people to record or perform it.
- Create a **word search, crossword** or other puzzle.
- Write an **advice leaflet** to show your school and parents how to stay safe.
- Write a **story**.
- Make up and perform a road safety **play or advert** – you could even film it.
- Find a **picture** to remind you to be safe – either take a photo, print one from the web or cut it out of a magazine – just add a caption.
- Make a **poster** with a road safety message.
- Design visible clothing or other **products** to make you safer.
- Draw a **map** showing the safer routes to your school.

## Collection Box

You can photocopy this label and stick it on a box to collect competition entries. Don't forget to write the competition details and deadlines in the space provided!

**Collection Box**  
for

Please submit all entries by:

**JRSO**  
Junior Road Safety Officer

**Remember**— don't write on pages in this pack that you might need more than once - like this one. Then you can photocopy them when you need them.

## It's a stick up!

### Putting up posters

Sticking up posters on your school notice boards or in a place everyone can see will remind them who you are and how to stay safe.

On the next page, you will find an **All about me** poster to fill in.

Write in your name and class details. Then either stick on a photo or draw a picture of yourself in the box. Now it's ready to put up around your school. You can also tell your school you're the new JRSO in assembly to make sure everyone knows.

There should also be some more posters in your pack for you to put around your school – take a look at **MJ 7**.



You can download and print extra copies of the special JRSO posters from our website:  
[www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)

Your school guide might be able to help you get different posters too if you want them.

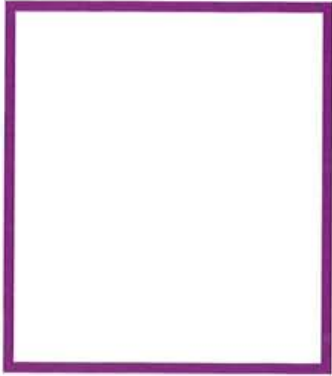
Or you could make your own posters to let people know about your latest competitions or road safety messages. And you can run competitions for everyone to make road safety posters – see page **MJ 3** for ideas.

### Top tips!

- If you're making your own posters, use bright colours and clear writing so people will remember your road safety messages.
- Remember posters will look great if you put up new information every month.
- Check your year planner for topics (page **MJ 11**).



# All about me



I'm your Junior Road Safety Officer.

My name is \_\_\_\_\_

from class \_\_\_\_\_

Ask me how to learn more about  
road safety.



# My job

## Here's some we made earlier

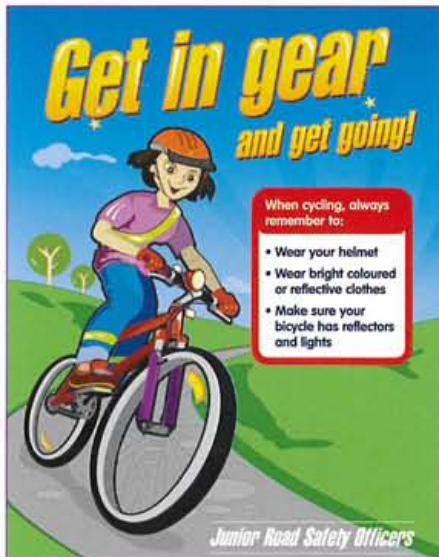
### Sample posters

You can put these posters up on notice boards or around your school. There should be copies in your pack.



You can also download and print copies from our website:

[www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety). You may need to ask your school guide for help.



# My job

## Be inspired!



### More fun ideas from other JRSOs

This pack has lots of ideas for you to use – but don't just stop there. You can do better than that! Use your imagination to come up with your own ways to keep your school street safe. Here are some suggested activities for you as well as some ideas from other JRSOs in Hampshire.



### Measure me!

JRSOs from **Harrison Primary School** have developed a great way for children to check whether they need to use a booster seat in a car – a permanent height chart in their playground! This is also easy to do in your school – make your own height chart by your display board.

Also, why not ask your teachers if you can educate your peers during Numeracy lessons. Could everyone be measured to find out how many children in your school need to use a booster seat.

### Be Bright Day

JRSOs from **Four Lanes Community Junior School** organised a fantastic Be Bright non-school uniform day at their school. This is a fantastic way to promote and raise awareness of being bright during the Autumn Term. Why not have a fashion show to display the best from each class?



# My job

## Journalists at the ready!

Why not watch the Tales of the Road adverts and ask your teacher if you can write a newspaper report on 'The boy who didn't stop, look and listen' when doing newspaper reports in Literacy. An excellent way to raise awareness of the importance of using the Green Cross Code whilst learning about the features of report writing!

## Street Safety Rap!

**Bramley Primary School** launched an excellent Road Safety rap competition for all year groups. The children could work in pairs and could write about any element of road safety. What a fantastic way to memorise a key road safety message!



## Fayre mania!

A variety of schools have used their School Fayre as a way of communicating the key road safety messages to the wider school community.

- **Woodlea Primary School** handed out sweets with a 'Merry Christmas and road safety message' attached to them
- Some schools have sold various road safety items
- **Alverstoke Junior School** displayed various road safety posters
- **Shakespeare Junior School** ran a road safety competition with a 'pin the lollypop on the School Crossing Patrol' theme



# My job

## Graph time!

Have you visited our website [www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety?](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety?) You can view many different graphs referring to casualty statistics in Hampshire and in your district. Why not ask your teacher if you can use them during your Data Handling unit in during Numeracy lessons?



## Road Safety Club

JRSOs from **St. John's Primary School** have run a regular lunchtime club. The school have borrowed resources from the Road Safety Team and the JRSOs and School Council have organised activities such as practicing crossing the road with our role play set, writing road safety story boards as well as watching our DVDs and giving the children the opportunity to play board games.

## Great display!

JRSOs from **Whiteley Primary School** have been outstanding this year in getting the wider community involved with Road Safety. As well as regularly updating posters around the school, they also utilised their outside display board to communicate key road safety messages to parents.



## Pedestrian Play!

Why not borrow our Street Feet role play set to teach the younger children in your school about the Green Cross Code. JRSOs from **Woodlea Primary School** did this with their Year One children and they all had fun and learnt about how to cross the road safely and what to wear!

## Month



## Topics



<p><b>September</b>  <i>Date for your diary:</i>                      National Road Safety Week</p>	<p><b>Green Cross Code</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is it and when should you use it?</li> </ul>
<p><b>October</b>  <i>Date for your diary:</i>                      International walk to school month                      Clocks go back one hour – darker evenings</p>	<p><b>Be safe, be seen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can you make sure you're seen when it's dark in the mornings and evenings?</li> </ul>
<p><b>November</b>  <i>Date for your diary:</i>                      National Road Safety Week</p>	<p><b>Crossing safely</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where are the safest places to cross the road?</li> <li>• What are the different types of crossing?</li> </ul>
<p><b>December</b></p>	<p><b>Belt up!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staying safe in the car</li> <li>• Why are seat belts and booster seats important?</li> </ul>
<p><b>January</b></p>	<p><b>Weather warning!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do weather conditions affect road users?</li> <li>• Playing safely during bad weather</li> </ul>
<p><b>February</b></p>	<p><b>Helping parents and carers stay street safe</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hazards caused by parking on road markings</li> <li>• Parking safely – stopping in quiet roads near school</li> </ul>
<p><b>March</b>  <i>Date for your diary:</i>                      Clocks go forward one hour – lighter evenings</p>	<p><b>Being a safe bus passenger</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where should you stand while you're waiting?</li> <li>• Crossing the road after you get off</li> </ul>
<p><b>April</b></p>	<p><b>It's playtime!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where are the safest places to play near your home?</li> <li>• Keeping safe on rollerblades, skateboards and scooters</li> </ul>
<p><b>May</b>  <i>Date for your diary:</i>                      Walk to school week</p>	<p><b>Your journey to school</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staying safe on your way to school</li> <li>• Why not walk to keep fit?</li> </ul>
<p><b>June</b>  <i>Dates for your diary:</i>                      Bike week                      Child safety week</p>	<p><b>Cycling safely</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety gear for you and your bicycle</li> <li>• Riding your bike safely</li> </ul>
<p><b>July</b></p>	<p><b>Staying safe during the summer holidays</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you're going abroad, know the road rules</li> <li>• How can you stay safe on country roads?</li> <li>• Planning your journey to your new school – Year Six pupils</li> </ul>





# Staying street safe

All you need to know about road safety:

- Crossing safely
- Playing safely
- Travelling safely
- Surfing for safety



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Name: Reggie  
Likes: Skateboarding and outdoor sports  
Dislikes: Careless cyclists

# Staying street safe

## Crossing safely

There are lots of safer places for you to cross the road, such as a:

- **Zebra crossing** (page SSS 3).
- **Pelican crossing** (page SSS 4).
- **Puffin crossing** (page SSS 5).
- **Toucan crossing** (page SSS 6).
- **Footbridge** (page SSS 7).
- **Subway** (page SSS 8).
- **Traffic island** (page SSS 9).

Always use the **Green Cross Code** (page SSS 2) whenever you're crossing the road and remember to keep looking and listening for traffic as you cross.

You also need to know how to cross at **traffic lights** (page SSS 10) and **between parked cars** (page SSS 11) if you have to and with the help of school crossing patrols and police officers (page SSS 12).

For more road safety information, you can ask your road safety officer for a copy of **The Highway Code for young road users**, the Tales of the Road booklet or check out the website at <http://talesoftheroad.direct.gov.uk/>



# Staying street safe

## Green Cross Code

### Walking

When walking to school, to your friend's house or anywhere in between, use the pavement where there is one. It's important to follow simple rules before crossing any road. These rules are called the **Green Cross Code**.

- 1** First **find a safer place** to cross, then **stop**.
- 2** **Stand** on the pavement, but not too close to the edge of the kerb.
- 3** **Look and listen** in all directions for any traffic and **think** about what you are doing.
- 4** **Cross** when there is no traffic and there is **enough time** to get to the other side without running. If you are unsure don't cross.
- 5** **Keep looking and listening** for traffic as you cross the road.
- 6** **Walk** straight across the road. Do not run.



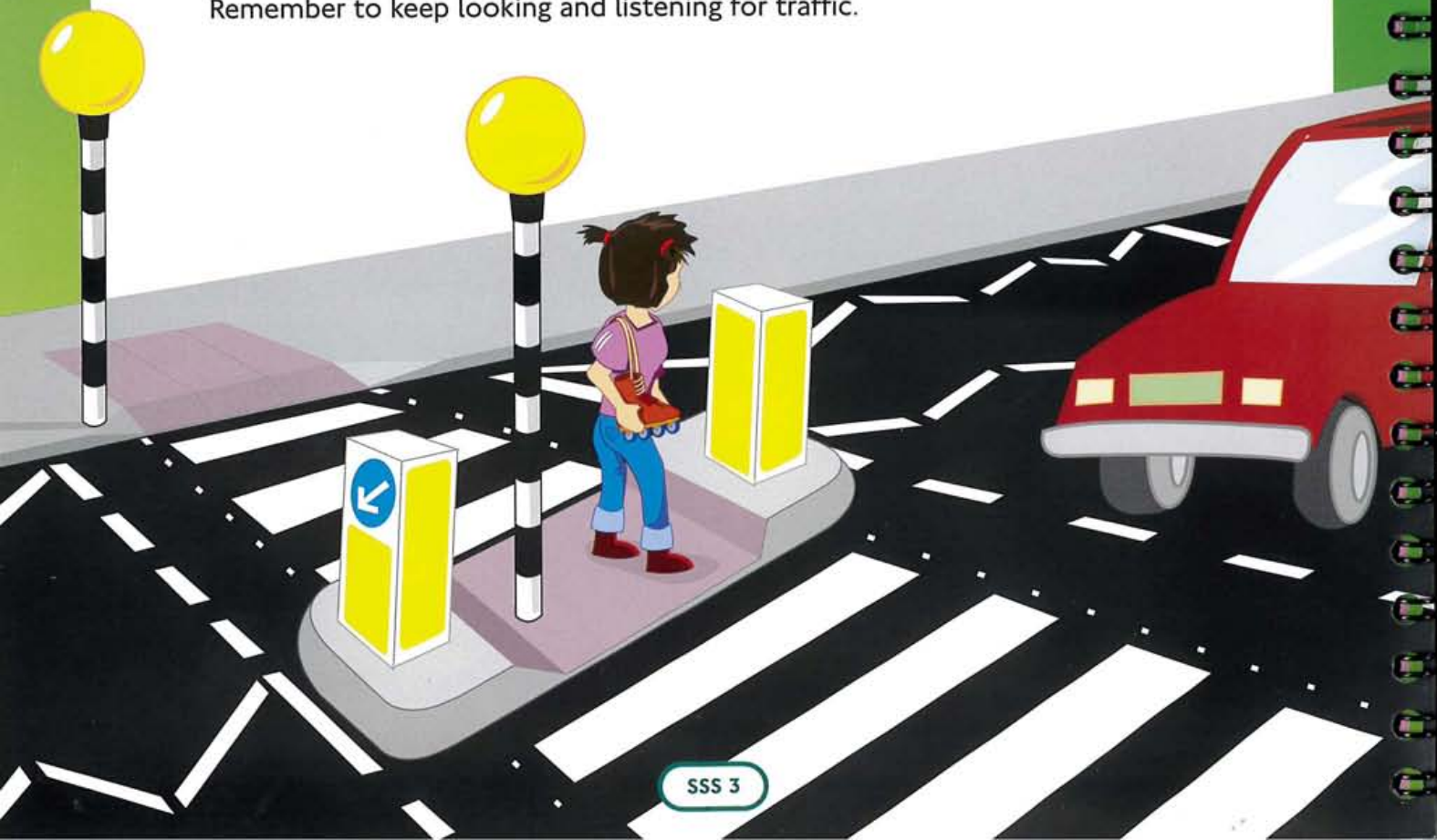
# Staying street safe

## Crossing at zebra crossings

- Zebra crossings have black and white stripes, just like a zebra.
- Traffic should stop if drivers see you waiting to cross.
- Wait on the pavement until all the traffic has stopped.
- When it is safe to do so, walk straight across the crossing.
- Make sure you keep looking and listening for traffic as you cross.


**If the zebra crossing has a traffic island in the middle, you must treat this as two crossings.**

- First cross to the traffic island using the Green Cross Code from page SSS 2, then **stop**.
- Use the Green Cross Code again to cross the second part of the road. Remember to keep looking and listening for traffic.




# Staying street safe

## Crossing at pelican crossings

- Pelican crossings have a green  and red  man signal and a **WAIT** box.
- When you want to cross, push the button and wait for the green  man signal on the post on the opposite side of the road, before you cross.

**You must push the button to stop the traffic.**





- When the traffic has stopped and the green  man signal is showing, you can start to walk across the road.
- Keep looking and listening for traffic as you cross.

Don't start to cross if the green man signal is not showing or it is flashing.



# Staying street safe

## Crossing at puffin crossings

- Puffin crossings are very similar to pelican crossings.
- They have the green  and red  man signals and a box with a button to press.
- The green  and red  man signals are on a post beside you, where you are waiting to cross. There is no signal over the road.



**You must keep looking at the signal post to see when it is safe to cross.**

- Only cross on the green  man signal and always check that the traffic has stopped.
- Keep looking and listening for traffic as you cross.



# Staying street safe

## Crossing at toucan crossings

- Toucan crossings have space for pedestrians and cyclists to go across the road at the same time.
- As well as the green  man signal for pedestrians, there is a green cycle signal  for people on bikes.
- You must push the button, like at a pelican crossing to stop the traffic.
- Always check that all the traffic has stopped before crossing.
- Keep looking and listening for traffic as you cross.



**Never cross the road if the red man signal or red cycle signal is showing.**



# Staying street safe

## Using a footbridge

- Footbridges are designed so pedestrians can walk over the road on a bridge.
- Footbridges are usually over very wide or busy roads; if you see one, make sure you use it if you have to cross the road.
- **Never** throw anything from a footbridge as it is extremely dangerous and could cause a serious accident below.

Footbridges are one of the safer places to cross the road.

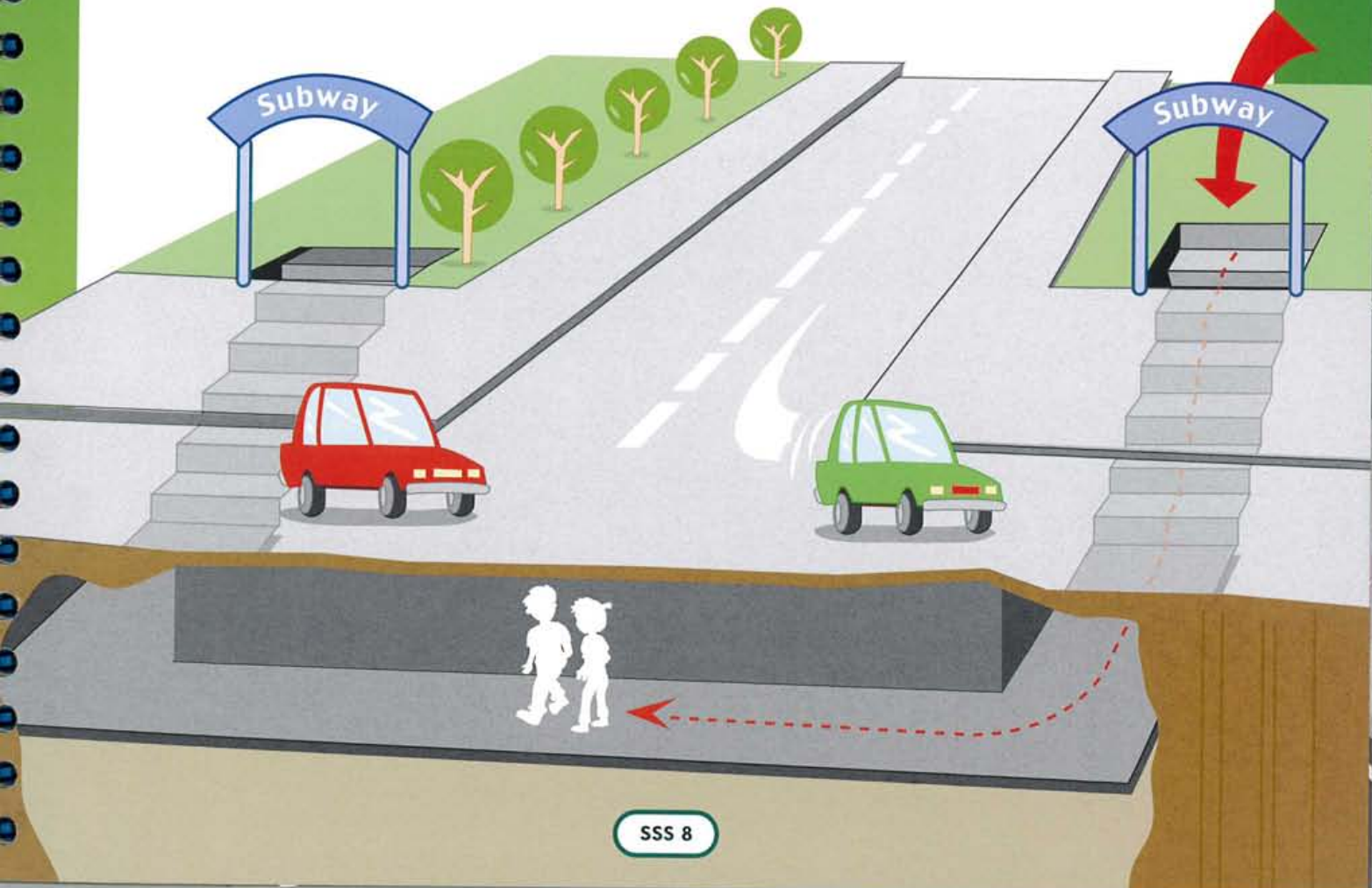


# Staying street safe

## Using a subway

- Subways are tunnels under the road you can walk through.
- There is no traffic in the tunnel, only pedestrians.
- If you have to use a subway, try to be with a friend or an adult that you know and trust.
- Sometimes subways can be dirty and dark and are not always the nicest place to cross the road.

**If you feel unsure about using a subway, you could find another safe place to cross and use the Green Cross Code instead.**



# Staying street safe

## Crossing at traffic islands



- Traffic islands usually have yellow and white bollards in the middle of the road.
- The bollards have a blue circle sign with a white arrow inside for drivers.
- Traffic does not stop for pedestrians at traffic islands.
- If you cross at a traffic island, you must treat the road as two roads.
- Follow the Green Cross Code from page SSS 2 and **stop** when you reach the middle.
- Use the Green Cross Code again to make sure you get across the road safely.

**If in doubt, don't cross. Wait and use the Green Cross Code again.**



# Staying street safe

## Crossing at traffic lights

- Some traffic lights are only for dealing with traffic and not pedestrians.
- At some sets of traffic lights, you might find a special signal for pedestrians. This is the green  and red  man signal.
- There is sometimes a button to push at traffic lights. If not, the traffic is stopped automatically. Remember to use the Green Cross Code.
- Be extra careful if crossing at traffic lights.
- Remember to check all around for traffic - that includes over your shoulder, just in case traffic is turning around the corner.

**Wearing a hooded coat or jacket? Remember you can't see or hear clearly if your hood is up. Make sure you keep looking and listening all around for traffic.**



# Staying street safe

## Crossing between parked cars

- You should always try to choose a place to cross **without** parked cars. But, sometimes there might be parked cars right along a road, so you need to cross between them.
- **Be very careful.** First make sure there are no drivers in the cars you are going to walk between so the cars won't move. You should also check there are no drivers in the cars you will be crossing between on the other side of the road, as well.
- Carefully walk out between the parked cars and **stop** at the edge of the car.
- The edge of the car is like the kerb. Follow the **Green Cross Code** from page SSS 2. Remember to stop, look, listen and think before crossing the road.

Remember drivers may not be able to see you when you're standing between parked cars.



# Staying street safe

## School Crossing Patrol or Police Officers

- These people can help you cross the road safely.
- Wait until they signal you to cross.

**Always cross in front of them but keep looking and listening for traffic.**



# Staying street safe

## Playing safely

Always play away from roads. When you're near a road, carry balls and other stuff in a bag so you don't drop them into the road and distract drivers.

### Cycling

Riding your bike lets you go places and hang out with your friends. When you're using pedal power, remember our tips...

#### Be seen

- Clothing - light, bright colours and reflective and fluorescent materials will help drivers and pedestrians see you better.
- Lights - by law, at night, you need at least one red light on the back and one white light on the front, as well as reflectors.

#### Wear it right

Cycle helmets should be done up securely and fit well.

#### Be heard

With a bell on your bike, you can warn others you're coming.

#### Be aware of others using the road

- Make sure others using the road have seen you – check by making eye contact with drivers where you can.
- Never squeeze between a large vehicle and the edge of the road – they definitely can't see you there. Also, be careful of vehicles turning left in front of you.
- When using a path that's designed for cyclists and pedestrians to share, make sure you leave space for pedestrians.



#### Know the road rules

**Get trained** - if you're not sure how to cycle safely, ask your school where's the nearest place to do a course or contact your road safety officer.



# Staying street safe

## Rollerblading, skateboarding and scootering

Before you strap on your blades, jump on your board or get ready to scoot off on your scooter, remember...

- A helmet, wrist guards and knee and elbow pads will help you stay safe.
- Skate in special areas, like skate parks.



# Staying street safe

## Travelling safely

### Being a good car passenger

Traffic can be dangerous if the driver is not concentrating or is going too fast. Here are some very important rules when you're in a car.

- **Always** wear your seatbelt.
- **Never** distract the driver.
- **Never** lean out or throw anything from the window.
- **Never** open the car door when the car is moving.
- **Never** block the rear view mirror.
- If possible, get out on the pavement side.
- **Never** get into a stranger's car.

If you're sitting in the back seat, it's much safer to get out on the pavement side. If that's not possible, always remember to look out for passing cars and cyclists before opening the door.

If you're less than 135cm tall, you need a car seat or booster seat. It's the law. If you're taller, you don't need a car seat, but you always need to wear a seat belt. That's the law too.



# Staying street safe

## Bus

Taking the bus is an easy way to get around town.

- To stay safe, make sure you wait at the bus stop and **keep back** from the edge of the kerb.
- When the bus arrives, **wait for people to get off** before you get on.
- Never distract the driver.
- If you need to cross the road after getting off the bus, **wait** for it to move off first, and then use the Green Cross Code from page SSS 1 to help you cross the road safely. If possible, walk to a safer crossing place (page SSS 2).



# Staying street safe

## Out and about

### Being seen

Drivers are more likely to see you if you're wearing **lighter** coloured clothing – especially when it's dark. You'll be seen even better at night if you wear **reflective** clothes, as they reflect car headlights.

### Weather warning

Ice, snow and even wet leaves on the ground not only make it more **slippery** when you're walking on the roads and pavements, but drivers will find it harder to control their car and **will take longer to stop**. If it's rainy, misty, or foggy, they may be less likely to see you too. So remember to be extra careful in bad weather!



# Staying street safe

## Out and about

### Helping parents and carers to be street safe

If you're driven to school, remind whoever drops you off not to park on either the zig-zag lines outside your school, or on a crossing. The lines are there to make it easier for people to cross the road safely. Your driver also needs to remember to stop for the School Crossing Patrol Officer.

Though it may take a bit longer, it's much safer to park in a quiet road nearby and walk to school.



# Staying street safe

## Travelling abroad

We all love having fun in the sun! If you're lucky enough to go abroad, remember our top tips for staying street safe!

Unlike the UK, many countries drive on the right-hand side of the road. So make sure you know which direction the traffic will be coming from and don't forget to follow the Green Cross Code (page SSS 2) whenever you're crossing the road. Lots of road rules are different in other countries, so be extra careful. For example, don't expect drivers to stop for you at zebra crossings, as it's optional in some countries.



You might also find that there aren't pavements or street lights. You'll find advice on staying safe in these situations below.

## Walking in the countryside

Out nearer the countryside, you may find that the roads are narrower, with no pavements or streetlights.

If there's no pavement, you might find there's a grass verge or bank that you can walk on. If you have to walk on the road, make sure you stay as far away from the cars as possible. Don't walk in the same direction as vehicles are driving; face oncoming traffic so you can see vehicles coming towards you and can check they've seen you.

Speed limits are also different on rural roads so remember that, although the road may be quiet, cars may be travelling quickly, so you need to stay alert.

Make sure you're as visible as possible and, if you're somewhere without street lights, it's a good idea to carry a torch at night.



# Staying street safe

## Surfing for safety

### Useful websites

You can surf the web for more useful road safety facts. Here are some of our favourite sites:

**[www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety)**

**[www.safetymatters.renault.co.uk](http://www.safetymatters.renault.co.uk)**

Click and view a variety of games and activities - for teachers, pupils and parents.

**[www.road-safety.org.uk](http://www.road-safety.org.uk)**

Road Safety Scotland have got a wide variety of ideas on their website for all ages from activities, competitions and general advice for schools as well as parents.

**<http://talesoftheroad.direct.gov.uk>**

Click and view the latest adverts and competitions.

**<http://think.direct.gov.uk>**

Click on the Think Education link to gain access to downloadable activities and short interviews which can be shown in assemblies.

**[www.livingstreets.org.uk](http://www.livingstreets.org.uk)**

Click on the Walk to School Week link to discover some weird and wonderful walking facts and find out more about Walk to School Week.

**[www.roadsafetyweek.org.uk](http://www.roadsafetyweek.org.uk)**

All the information you need to know about the National Road Safety Week.

**[www.iwalktoschool.org](http://www.iwalktoschool.org)**

Find out more information about International Walk to School month.

If you find other useful road safety websites, write them in the space below:



- Don't forget to ask your school guide and road safety officer for help.



# Activities

Put your road safety knowledge to the test with our fun puzzles, including:

- Road safety quiz
- Find the safest route
- Green Cross Code-breaker!
- Crossword
- Spot the hazards
- Unscramble these words
- Word searches

You can use these as competitions in your school



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Name: Su Li  
Likes: Rollerblading, cycling and hiking  
Dislikes: Kids who don't wear seat belts

# Activities

## Road safety quiz

How well do you know road safety?



Please tick the correct answer

**1) How do you stop traffic at a pelican crossing?**

- Let drivers see you and wait
- Push the button and wait for the green man signal
- Stand at the kerb until the traffic stops

**2) You need to use an appropriate car seat if you're under 12, and shorter than what height?**

- 120cm
- 135cm
- 150cm

**3) The Green Cross Code is a guide to help you cross the road safely. The steps for crossing safely are:**

- Find a safer place to cross. Stop, look, listen and think! Cross when there is no traffic coming and there is enough time to walk across the road. Keep looking and listening for traffic while you cross.
- Find a safer place to cross. Look and listen, stop. Cross when there is enough time. Look and listen then run.
- Stop. Find a place to cross. Look and listen. Cross when there is enough time. Look to the left, then walk do not run.

**4) If there is no pavement or footpath you should:**

- Walk on the road in the same direction as traffic
- Walk on the side of the road, so that you're facing the traffic coming towards you
- Walk on the road, and move in and out of traffic

**5) When riding in cars always:**

- Distract the driver
- Throw rubbish out of the window
- Wear a seatbelt

**6) This sign means:**

- No cycling
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**7) Walking at night it's safest to wear:**

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- Waterproof clothes
- Reflective clothes

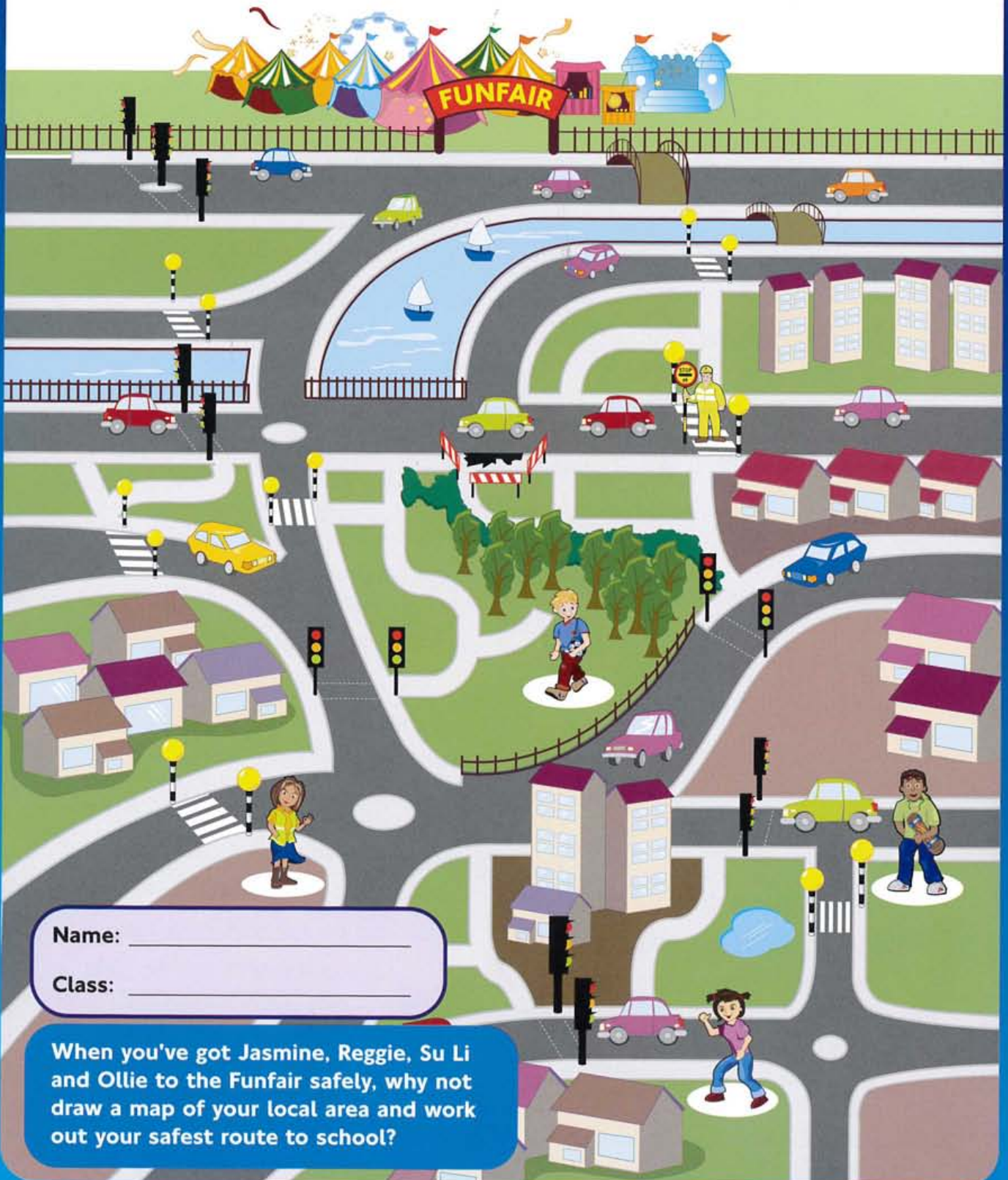
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# Activities

## Find the safest route

Just draw a line on the safest, quickest route you can find for each squad member so they all meet at the Funfair entrance. Some squad members may need to follow the same route for some of the way. **Remember** to photocopy this page first, if you plan to use it again.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

When you've got Jasmine, Reggie, Su Li and Ollie to the Funfair safely, why not draw a map of your local area and work out your safest route to school?

# Activities

## Green Cross Code-breaker!

First find a s\_f\_r place to cross, then s\_\_\_\_\_.

C\_\_\_\_\_s when there is no traffic and there is enough \_\_\_\_\_e to get to the other side without running. If you are unsure don't cross.

S\_\_\_\_\_d on the pavement, but not too close to the edge of the kerb.

Keep l\_\_\_\_\_g and \_\_\_\_\_ing for traffic as you cross the road. \_\_\_\_\_k straight across the road. Do not run.

L\_\_\_\_\_ and l\_\_t\_\_n in all directions for any traffic and t\_\_n\_\_ about what you are doing.

### How well do you know your Green Cross code?

Fill in the blanks and number the pieces so the code is complete and in the right order.

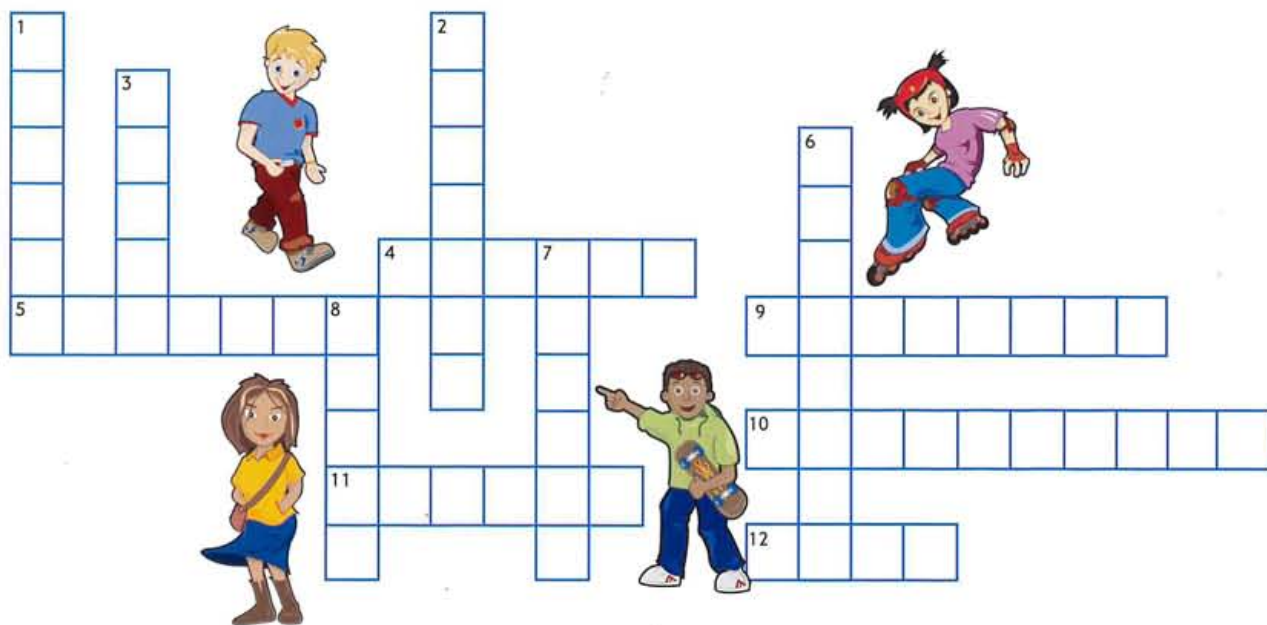


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Class: \_\_\_\_\_

# Activities

## Crossword



### Across

- Look and \_\_\_\_\_ in all directions for any traffic (6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Island - cross halfway first (7)
- It's the law to wear one of these in the car (8)
- The type of clothing that can help you be seen at night (10)
- Tunnel under the road you can walk through (6)
- Find a safe place to cross and \_\_\_\_\_ (4)

### Down

- Protects your head when cycling (6)
- A healthy way to get to school (7)
- A black and white-striped crossing (5)
- Walk on this if there is one (8)
- A crossing you share with cyclists (6)
- Green \_\_\_\_\_ Code (5)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

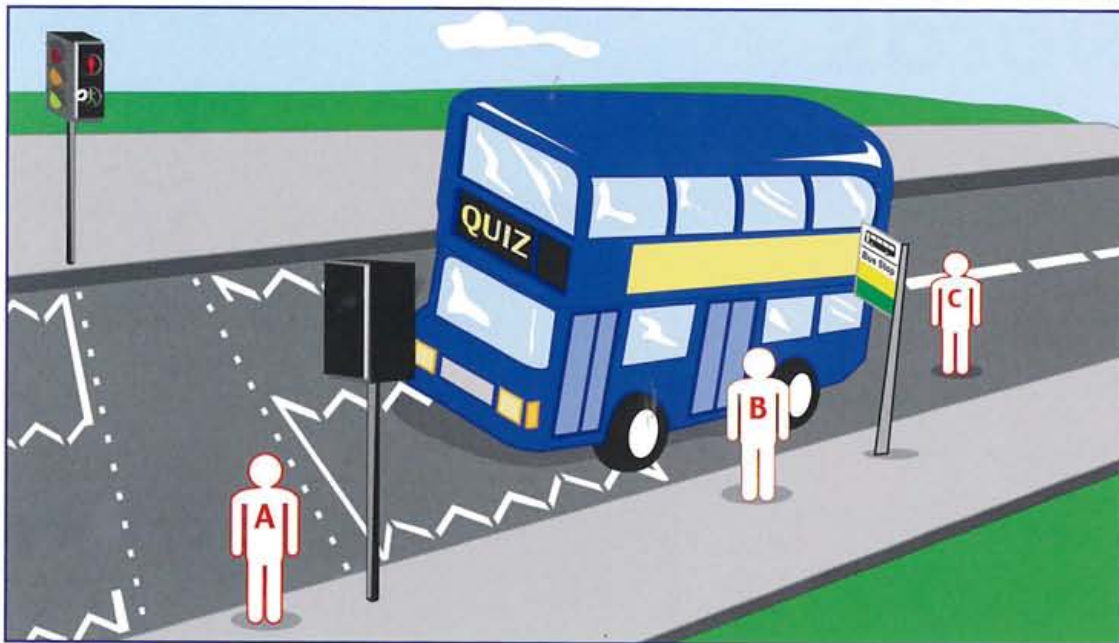


# Activities

## Safe crossing places

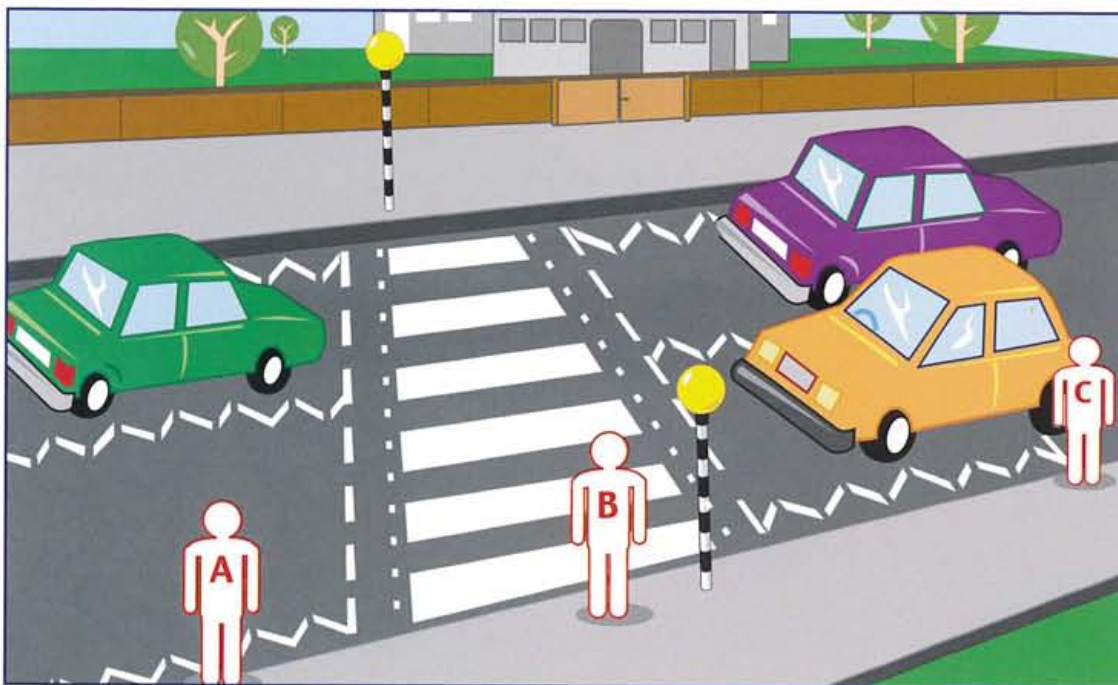
Circle where you would cross after leaving a bus and say why.

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_



Circle the person who has chosen the safest place to cross to get to school and say why.

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

# Activities

## Unscramble these words

cleyc

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isgth

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spto

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olok

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rlory

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\_\_\_\_\_

rac

\_\_\_\_\_

ubs

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eesdp

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iatx

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_



# Activities

## Unscramble these words

erkdap rsca

\_\_\_\_\_

enegr srcso dceo

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gnidvri

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iednpsetar

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vatmpene

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otolcymrce

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_



# Activities

## Word search



Try to find the words below

S	T	H	E	L	M	E	T	R	A	R	C	B
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T	M	P	E	L	H	T	R	A	F	F	I	C

- 1) safety
- 2) look
- 3) listen
- 4) stop
- 5) road
- 6) cross
- 7) car
- 8) helmet
- 9) seatbelt
- 10) traffic

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_

# Activities

## Word search



Try to find the words below

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|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 1) footbridge       | 5) traffic lights | 11) van   | 17) taxi             |
| 2) zebra crossing   | 6) police officer | 12) lorry | 18) green cross code |
| 3) subway           | 7) look           | 13) think | 19) traffic          |
| 4) pelican crossing | 8) pavement       | 14) car   |                      |
|                     | 9) motorcycle     | 15) bus   |                      |
|                     | 10) listen        | 16) speed |                      |

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_



# Activity solutions

- Find out how you fared with all the activities here

No peeking before you've finished them!



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Name: Ollie

Likes: Football and music

Dislikes: Cars parking on school's Keep Clear area at the entrance

# Activity solutions

## Road safety quiz

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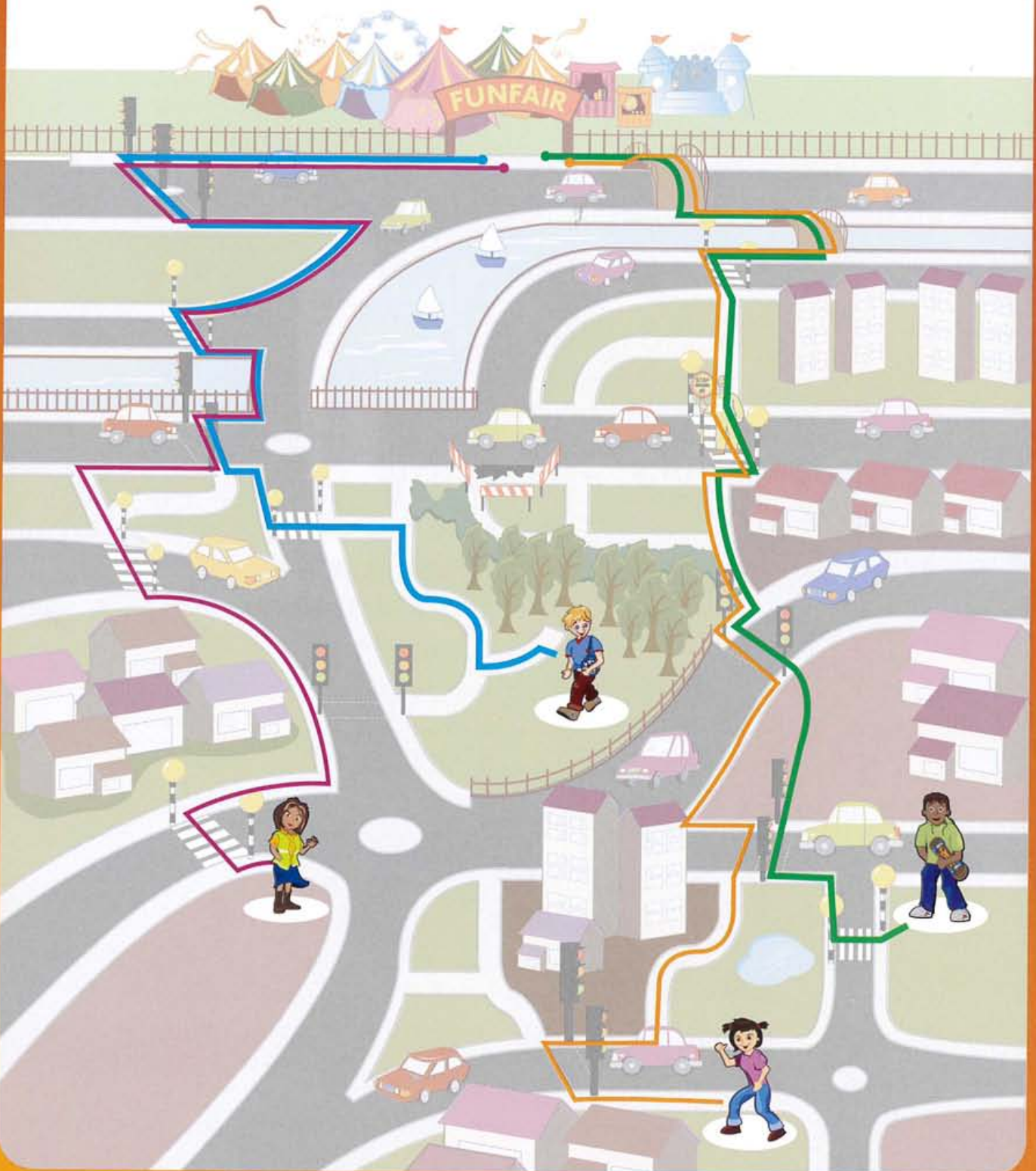
7) Walking at night it's safest to wear:

- Warm clothes
- Waterproof clothes
- Reflective clothes

# Activity solutions

## Safest route solution

Can you help the Street Safe Squad find the safest route to the Fun Fair?



# Activity solutions

## Green Cross Code-breaker

1

First find a **safer** place to cross, then **stop**.

2

**Stand** on the pavement, but not too close to the edge of the kerb.

3

**Look** and **listen** in all directions for any traffic and **think** about what you are doing.

4

**Cross** when there is no traffic and there is **enough time** to get to the other side without running. If you are unsure don't cross.

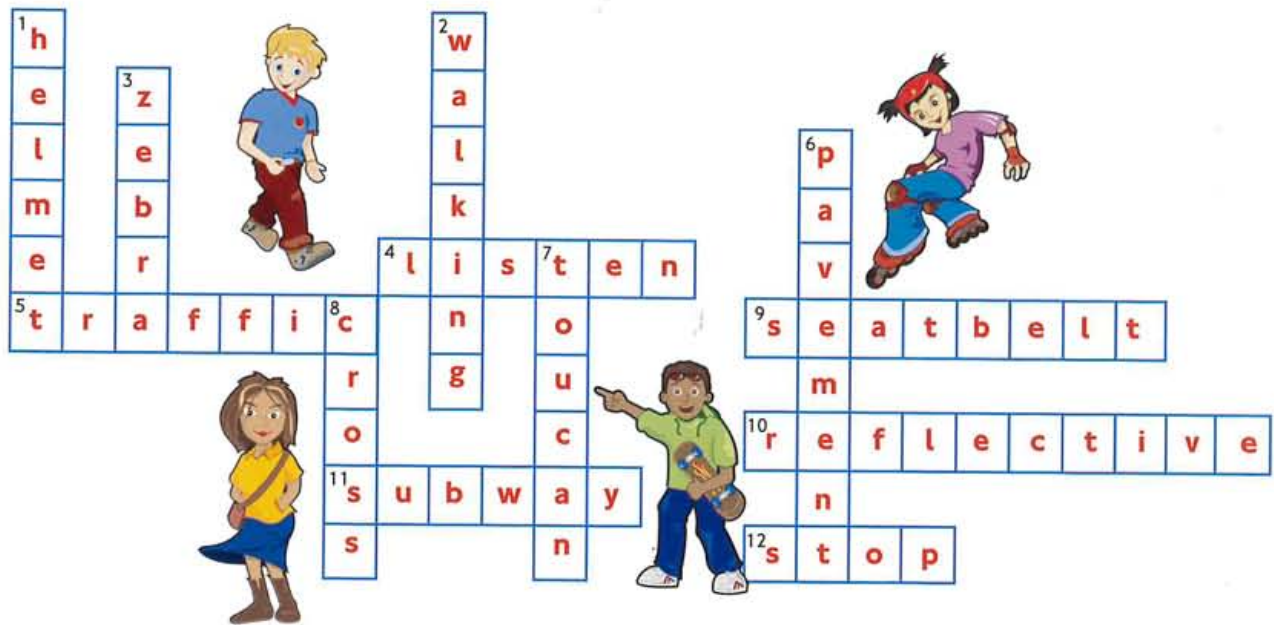
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Keep **looking** and **listening** for traffic as you cross the road.

**Walk** straight across the road. Do not run.

# Activity solutions

## Crossword solution



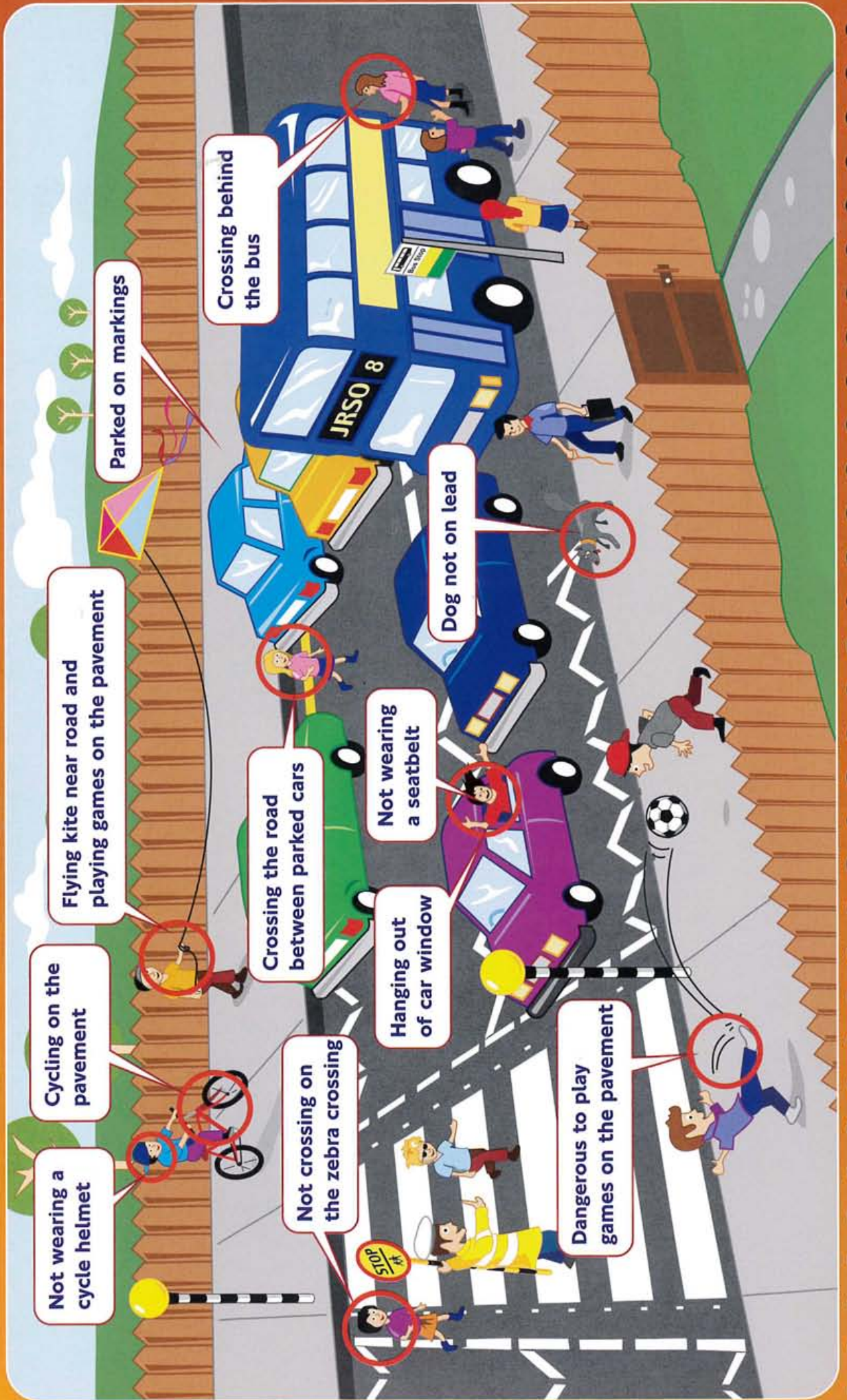
### Across

- listen
- traffic
- seatbelt
- reflective
- subway
- stop

### Down

- helmet
- walking
- zebra
- pavement
- toucan
- cross

Spot the hazards

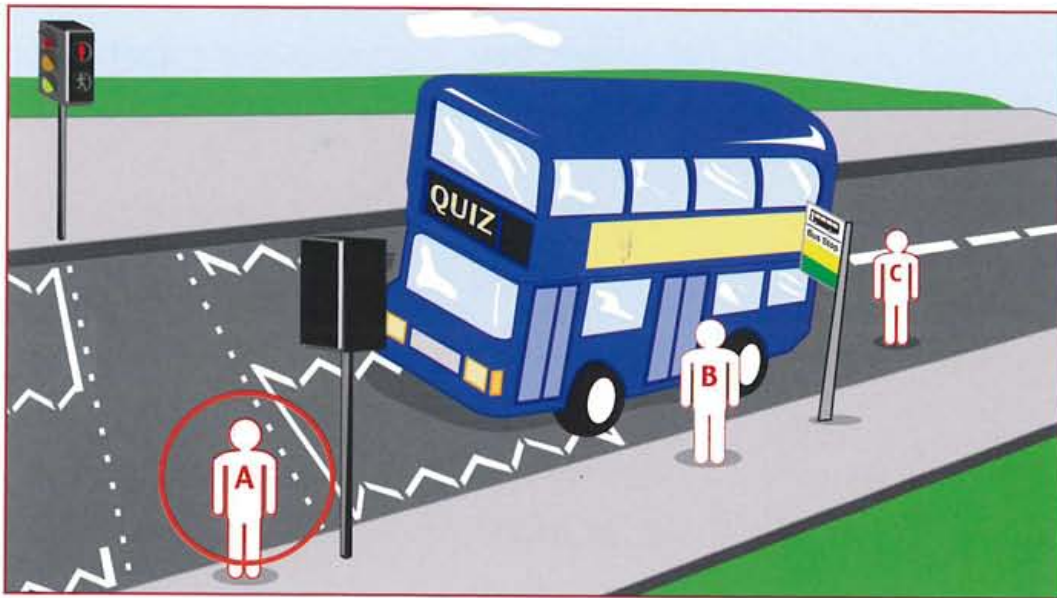


# Activity solutions

## Safe crossing places

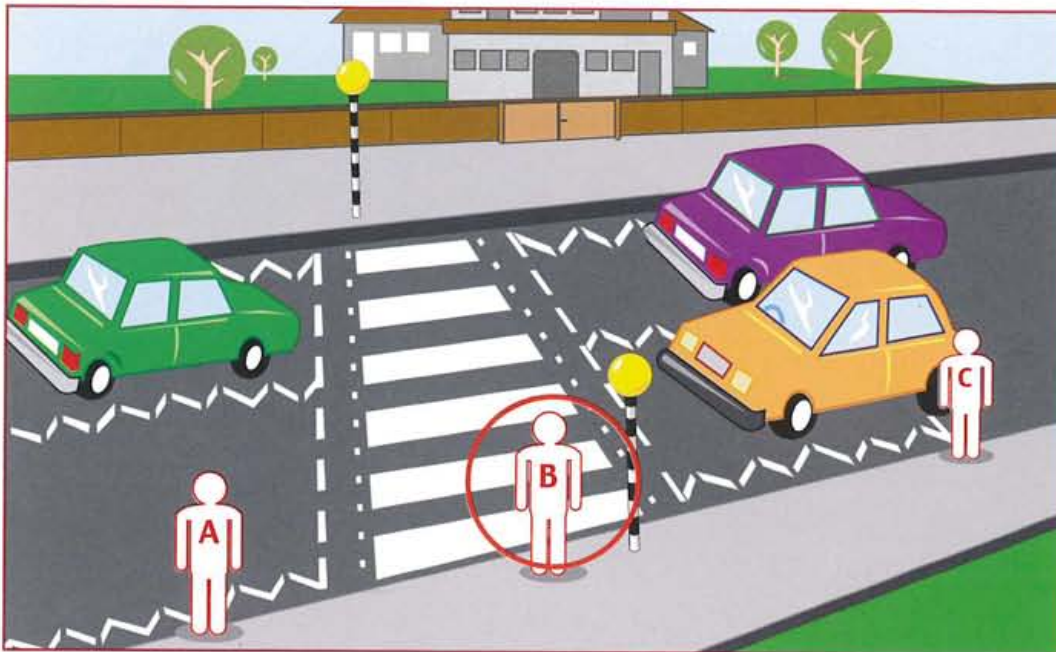
Circle where you would cross after leaving a bus and say why.

Person A is crossing at the safest place. Even if you can't see any vehicles you should always cross at a crossing if there is one. Drivers expect you to cross here.



Circle the person who has chosen the safest place to cross to get to school and say why.

Person B has chosen the safest place to cross - the zebra crossing. Drivers expect you to cross here.



# Activity solutions

## Unscramble these words

cleyc

cycle

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# Activity solutions

## Unscramble these words

erkdap rsca

parked cars

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green cross code

gnidvri

driving

iednpsetar

pedestrian

laikwgn

walking

godfotbrie

footbridge

erbza osicngsr

zebra crossing

fcfirta dainsl

traffic island

yaubsw

subway

nieplac gsorscin

pelican crossing

cloohs ginrocscs torlpa

school crossing patrol

fifcrat gstlhi

traffic lights

cpoeil focfeir

police officer

vatmpene

pavement

otolcymrce

motorcycle



# Activity solutions

## Word search



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H	J	M	Q	U	E	S	P	V	G	E	D	P
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V	E	T	X	W	L	L	A	R	T	E	Y	T
S	R	O	U	T	O	P	S	L	O	O	K	B
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# Activity solutions

## Word search



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