

Literacy Texts with a Travel Awareness Theme

Year R

Traditional, nursery and modern rhymes, chants, action verses.

Year 1

Stories and poems with familiar, predictable and patterned language including playground chants, action verses and rhymes.

Year 2

Stories and poems with predictable and patterned language.
Dictionaries, glossaries, indexes and other alphabetically ordered texts.

Year 3

Stories with related themes, oral and performance poetry.
Instructions, dictionaries, thesauri.

Year 4

Classic and modern poetry.
Information books on same or similar theme.

Year 5

Longer classic poetry, narrative poetry.
Explanations.

Year 6

Range of poetic forms: kennings, limericks, riddles, cinquain, tanka, poems written in other forms (as adverts, letter, diary events, conversations)
Discussion texts. Formal writing.

There are many opportunities to introduce the theme of Travel Awareness through Literacy texts in the Literacy Hour.

This pack includes some examples of suitable texts. We have tried to include something for every Primary Year Group.

Literature with Walking Themes for KS1 and KS2

Fiction		Non-Fiction		
Title	Author	Title	Author	
Owen and the Mountain	Malachy Doherty & Giles Greenfield	People on the Move	Barbara Taylor	
Follow My Leader	Emma Chichester Clark	How Green Are You?	David Bellamy	
Billy's Beetle	Mick Inkpen	The Street	Jeff Stanfield	
Spot's First Walk	Eric Hill	I Can Help Clean our Air	Viv Smith	
Poppy and Pip's Walk	Ian Beck	How Does Exercise Affect Me?	Judy Sadgrove	
The Listening Walk	Aliki	Reading Out and About	Monica Hughes	
Rosie's Walk	Pat Hutchins	New Shoes	Kate Petty	
Katy Morag Delivers the Mail	M Hedderwick	Look at Feet	Henry Pluckrose	
We're Going on a Bearhunt	Michael Rosen	How it's made - Shoes	Ruth Thompson	
Alfie's Feet	Shirley Hughes	Keeping Fit	Paul Bennett	
Walk in the Park	Antony Brown	Travelling About	Sally Hewitt	
Suzy's Shoes	Susan Hill	Earth Alert - Transport	Andrew & Amanda Church	
Foot Book	Dr Seuss	Journeys Discovered through Geography	Karen Bryant-Mole	
The Ants Go Marching	Alan & Lea Daniel	Look Out On the Road	Paul Humphries	
Claydon was a Clingy Child	Cressida Cowell	Earth in Danger! Transport	Polly Goodman	
Don't Step on the Crack	Colin McNaughton	Starting History – How We Travelled	Stewart Ross	
Wombat Goes Walkabout	Michael Morpurgo	Geography for Fun – People & Places	Pam Robson	
How to Cross the Road and Not Turn into a Pizza	Anne Fine	(What was it like in the past?) On Journeys	Mandy Ross	
Poetry Anthologies		First Look at Safety	Pat Thomas	
		Transport Then and Now	Helena Ramsey	
		Sustainable Future – Homes & Cities	Sally Morgan	
Title	Author	Stay Safe – On the Road	Lisa Bruce	
A Green Poetry Paintbox	John Foster	Stay Safe – Out & About	Lisa Bruce	
Earthways–Poems on Conservation	Judith Nicholls	In the Street	Kate Brookes	
Music Resources		Streets (Nat Curriculum KS1)	Louise Spielsbury	
		I'm Walking Down The Street by Niki Davies– Songs, activities & music & movement material for 3-7 year olds (ISBN 1-85909-670-0)	Travelling About (Nat Curriculum KS1)	Sally Hewitt
			Journeys (Nat Curriculum KS1)	Mandy Ross
		In the Street (Nat Curriculum KS1)	Tony Pickford	

Road Safety Teaching Materials and Resources

Resource	Description	Approx Cost	Supplier
'Arrive Alive'	Highway Code for Young Road Users	Free	Dept for Transport 0870 1226 236
Pedestrian Skills	Folder of work for 4-11 yr olds	£20	DBDA 0870 333 7771
Living With Traffic	DVD with Theatre in Education links	£25	DBDA 0870 333 7771
Primary School Teaching Resource	Road Safety linked lesson plans and worksheets for KS1 & KS2	Free to download	www.databases.dft.gov.uk
Road Safety Assembly Plans	Downloadable assemblies for KS1/2	Free to download	www.rospa.co.uk/roadsafety/assemblies/index.htm
TC201 Topics for Young Children	Road Safety Ideas 5 – 7 years	£5.29 + VAT	ROSPA 0870 777 2227
TC204 Things to do	Road Safety activities 5 – 7 years	£10.07 per 10	ROSPA 0870 777 2227
SE246 Street Scene Photopack	24 colour photos + teacher's pack	£26.25 + VAT	ROSPA 0870 777 2227
SE306 Picture This – Road Safety Picture Book	Big Book of 9 photographs – suitable for Foundation Stage	£34.80 + VAT	ROSPA 0870 777 2227
SE264 Safer Journeys – Street Scene	Journey / Travel Awareness for all ages	£4.70 + VAT	ROSPA 0870 777 2227
Role Play Resources			
Pedestrian Crossing Mat 840718	Non slip crossing mat 1000x2250mm	£16.95	Y.P.O.
Lollipop Sign 840726	Wooden SCP sign 1200mm	£26.25	Y.P.O.
SCP Outfit / Police Officer Outfit (5-8 years)	White coat & fluorescent vest Hat Police Jacket Hat	£16.50 £3.95 (hat)	J & M Toys Bradford 01274 599314

Poetry with a Travel Awareness Theme

On the First Day of New Term

(to the tune of The 12 Days of Christmas)

On the first day of New Term my mother said to me:

“Please cross the roads carefully”

On the second day of New Term my mother said to me:

“Look all around and
Please cross the roads carefully”

On the third day of New Term my mother said to me:

“Stand by the kerb,
Look all around and
Please cross the roads carefully”

On the fourth day of New Term my mother said to me:

“Find a crossing place,
Stand by the kerb,
Look all around and
Please cross the roads carefully”

On the fifth day of New Term my mother said to me:

“Please come back home,
Find a crossing place,
Stand by the kerb,
Look all around and
Please cross the roads carefully”

On the sixth day of New Term my mother said to me:

“Keep out of trouble,
Please come back home,
Find a crossing place,
Stand by the kerb,
Look all around and
Please cross the roads carefully”

On the seventh day of New Term my mother said to me:

“Don’t talk to strangers,
Keep out of trouble,
Please come back home,
Find a crossing place,
Stand by the kerb,
Look all around and
Please cross the roads carefully”

This is the Way We Cross the Road

(to the tune of Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush)

(Chorus) This is the way we cross the road,
Cross the road, cross the road,
This is the way we cross the road
When we walk to school in the morning.

Think long and hard to cross the road,
Cross the road, cross the road,
Think long and hard to cross the road
When we walk to school in the morning.

Chorus

Find a safe place to cross the road,
Cross the road, cross the road,
Find a safe place to cross the road
When we walk to school in the morning.

Chorus

Stop at the kerb to cross the road,
Cross the road, cross the road,
Find a safe place to cross the road
When we walk to school in the morning.

Chorus

Look all around to cross the road,
Cross the road, cross the road,
Look all around to cross the road
When we walk to school in the morning.

Chorus

Make sure we listen to cross the road,
Cross the road, cross the road,
Make sure we listen to cross the road
When we walk to school in the morning.

Chorus

We do all these things as we cross the road,
Cross the road, cross the road,
We do all these things as we cross the road
When we walk to school in the morning.

This is the way we all hold hands

(To the tune of Here we go round the mulberry bush)

This is the way we all hold hands,
All hold hands, all hold hands.
This is the way we all hold hands
To keep us safe today.

This is the way we shake our hands,
Shake our hands, shake our hands.
This is the way we shake our hands
To say hello today.

This is the way we wash our hands,
Wash our hands, wash our hands.
This is the way we wash our hands
To keep them clean today.

This is the way we rub our hands,
Rub our hands, rub our hands,
This is the way we rub our hands
To keep us warm today.

This is the way we wave our hands,
Wave our hands, wave our hands.
This is the way we wave our hands
To say bye bye today.

This is the way we all hold hands,
All hold hands, all hold hands.
This is the way we all hold hands
To keep us safe today

If you need to cross the road

(To the tune of Twinkle Twinkle Little Star)

When you need to cross the road
Here are some things you should do.

Find a safe place, stop and wait
Look for traffic, listen too.

When it's clear then you may cross
Walk, don't run then you won't fall.

The Wheels on the Car

The wheels on the car go round and round,
Round and round, round and round.
The wheels on the car go round and round
All day long.

The belts in the car go Clunk-Click,
Clunk-Click, Clunk-Click.
The belts in the car go Clunk-Click
All day long.

The children in the belts are keeping safe,
Keeping safe, keeping safe.
The children in the belts are keeping safe
All day long.

The wheels on the car go round and round,
Round and round, round and round.
The wheels on the car go round and round
All day long.

Old MacDonald had a Car

Old Macdonald had a car
E-I-E-I-O
With a Brum Brum here and a
Brum Brum there
Here a Brum, there a Brum
Everywhere a Brum Brum
Old Macdonald had a car
E-I-E-I-O

Old Macdonald had a motorbike
E-I-E-I-O
With a Vroom Vroom here and a
Vroom Vroom there
Here a Vroom, there a Vroom
Everywhere a Vroom Vroom.
Old Macdonald had a motorbike
E-I-E-I-O

Old Macdonald had an ambulance
E-I-E-I-O
With an Eeeuuu here and an Eeeuuu there
Here an Eeeuuu, there an Eeeuuu
Everywhere an Eeeuuu
Old Macdonald had an ambulance
E-I-E-I-O

I went to school one morning

I went to school one morning and I walked like this,
Walked like this, walked like this.
I went to school one morning and I walked like this,
All on my way to school.

I saw a little sparrow and he hopped like this,
Hopped like this, hopped like this.
I saw a little sparrow and he hopped like this,
All on my way to school.

I saw a great big puddle and I splashed like this,
Splashed like this, splashed like this.
I saw a great big puddle and I splashed like this,
All on my way to school.

I heard the school bell ringing and I ran like this,
Ran like this, ran like this.
I heard the school bell ringing and I ran like this,
All on my way to school.

Cobbler, cobbler mend my shoe

Cobbler, cobbler, mend my shoe.
Get it done by half past two.
My poor toes are peeping through.
Cobbler, cobbler, mend my shoe.

There's a cobbler down our street

There's a cobbler down our street,
Mending shoes for little feet.
With a bang and a bang and a bang, bang, bang!
Mending shoes the whole day long.
Mending shoes to make them strong.
With a bang and a bang and a bang, bang, bang!

Can you?

Can you walk on two legs, two legs, two legs?
Can you walk on two legs, just like me?

Can you hop on one leg.....

Can you jump with two feet.....

Can you skip around the room.....
.....just like me?

Park and Stride

(Written by pupil at Bishop Thornton Primary School)

Park and Stride
That's what I do
If I can't walk all the way.

Try it with me
Then you'll see
You'll be walking every day.

Park and stride
That's what I do
If I can't walk all the way.

I don't go in a car
If it's not far
So listen to what I say!

A Different World

(Written by pupil at Giggleswick Primary School)

As I watch the clouds go by,
Thinking of my things, I try
To think just what it must be like
To have no cars or motorbikes.
The world would be cleaner, smell the fresh air.
'Cause the fumes and gases wouldn't be there.
The town would be quiet, so silent and still,
So the birds could sing at their will.
The world would be safer; you could walk in the roads.
There would be nothing there to squash the toads.
But not in this world.
The cars are still here, making noises in my ear.
Belching out fumes, causing congestion.
The disgusting smell gives me indigestion.
But we'll have to cope with all this pollution
'Til someone clever finds a solution.

Tanka

“Seatbelt Saviour”
With a single click
The black strap embraces me,
I pull down sharply
To be sure it will resist
A sudden jolting impact.

“Rush hour”
Never ending lines
Of motionless metal beasts
Chug, splutter and cough,
Patiently edging their way
Along smog filled morning routes.

Haiku

Buses are for those
Who need to travel so far
That they cannot walk.

Do not become the
Injured child who forgot to
Stop, Look, Listen, Think!

It's really good fun
Walking along, looking at
The world around me.

Walking along roads
I see moving flashing lights
It is a dark night.

Along the pavement
kicking leaves as I'm walking
I hear the traffic.

Hustle and bustle,
everywhere people shopping,
I feel so frightened.

Cars moving quickly,
a green flashing man appears
safely on the path.

“Zebra Crossing”
Jungle creature waits
For prowling traffic to stop,
Now I cross safely.

“Pelican Crossing”
Bright box of jewels,
Ruby, amber, emerald.
Green Man lights the way.

Kennings

“Street scene”

School bus driver – hell rider
Crossing patroller – smooth stroller
Cycle rider – traffic diver
Motorbiker – fear striker
Morning jogger – heart unclogger
Daily walker – happy talker
Car commuter – planet polluter
Ride sharer – way fairer!

“Street furniture”

Traffic light – urban knight
Cat's eyes – night spies
Yellow lines – expensive fines
Bus lane – ease the pain
Traffic island - pedestrians friend
Tactiles – bring blind smiles
Pelican crossing – not for bird spotting
Stop sign – lifeline
Men at work – danger lurks
Green cross code – a safety ode

“Cars”

(Written by pupil at Bishop Thornton Primary School)

Traffic jam causers,
Air Polluters,
Accident makers,
Cars.
Road blockers,
Space users,
Garage demanders,
Cars.

“Feet”

(Written by pupil at Bishop Thornton Primary School)

Helpful friends,
Nature carers,
Exercise makers,
Feet.
Healthy helpers,
Man's best friends,
Toe wigglers,
Feet.

Limericks

One day as he walked to his school,
A boy was seen playing the fool.
He crossed over the road –
And no Green Cross Code!
But next time he will use the rule!

Shall we ride in a car or a bus?
To cycle is healthy for us!
But to keep fit and strong
And no petrol pong,
Let's go with the school Walking Bus.

Fed up with the school gate pollution,
Some children devised a solution.
They chose not to ride
But to do "Park and Stride"
And made that a new resolution.

There was a young boy from Goole,
Who always walked to school.
He told all his mates
That walking was great,
Now walking's their new rule.

A girl from Boston Spa
Went everywhere by car.
One day the car broke down,
She had to walk to town,
It was fun, and not too far.