# **TRAFFIC SAFETY**

# **Pedestrian Safety**



Level:	High Beginning ESL
Materials Needed:	None
<b>Technology Needed:</b>	Internet Access

# **Pedestrian Safety**

**Directions:** Read the vocabulary words and definitions. Write the vocabulary words in the example blanks.

Pedestrian: A person who is walking.

*Example:* Many people are walking today. There are many <u>pedestrians</u> on the sidewalk.

1. <u>Crosswalk</u>: A marked place to cross the street.

Example: Don't cross in the middle of the street. Use the

2. <u>Corner</u>: The side of the road at an intersection, where two roads meet.

Example: Meet me at the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of Bristol Street and McFadden Avenue.

3. Curb: Sidewalk (or edge of sidewalk).

Example: Wait on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ if the signal is flashing.

4. <u>Signals</u>: Lights that tell cars and people when to stop and go.

Example: The *Walk* \_\_\_\_\_\_ (a white pedestrian picture) tells pedestrians to start crossing.

A flashing *Don't Walk* \_\_\_\_\_\_ (flashing red hand picture) tells pedestrians on the curb to wait. (*Don't Start*.) It tells pedestrians in the crosswalk to hurry.

The *Don't Walk* \_\_\_\_\_\_ (a red hand picture) tells pedestrians to wait. (*Don't Cross.*)

5. Obey: Follow the rules.

Example: Always \_\_\_\_\_\_ the traffic signals. When the signal says *Don't Walk* (red hand picture), don't walk.







### **Pedestrian Safety** *Continued*...

Directions: Use these words in the sentences below.

curb obeys signal crosswalk pedestrian

Example: The <u>pedestrian</u> wants to cross the street.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ says *Don't Walk* (red hand picture).

2. The pedestrian \_\_\_\_\_\_ the signal and waits on the \_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. Then the signal says Walk (white pedestrian picture). She looks both ways, then starts

crossing the street in the \_\_\_\_\_.

# **Safety Tips**

**Directions**: Read the safety tips. Circle these words: *right, flashlight, corner, stop, left, group, white*.

Walking is great exercise, and it's free. But....

Every six minutes, a pedestrian is hurt in a traffic accident.

Do you know someone who's had an accident? Do you feel safe walking on the street? Follow these tips to be safer.

- Obey the traffic signals. Cross only at corners and in crosswalks.
- Push the button to start the walk signal at the intersection– it gives you extra time.
- Walk quickly across the street. Never stop in the middle of a crosswalk. Don't run.



- Don't trust crosswalks. Look and listen when crossing the street. Remember that cars are usually looking for other cars, not pedestrians.
- Look all ways Left, Right, Left. Make sure the driver or bicyclist sees you.



• Cross with a group. It is easier to see many people than one person.



- Wear white or use a flashlight at night. You will be easier to see.
- Walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the left side of the street, looking at the cars. Make sure the drivers see you.



# Safety Tips Continued

**Directions:** Use these words in the sentences below: *right, flashlight, corners, stop, left, group, white.* 

- 1. Cross only at \_\_\_\_\_\_ and in crosswalks.
- 2. Never \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the middle of a crosswalk.
- 3. When the light turns green, look left, \_\_\_\_\_, then left again.



4. Cross with a \_\_\_\_\_ if possible.



5. Wear \_\_\_\_\_ or use a \_\_\_\_\_ at night.

6. Walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the

### **Children's Safety**



**Directions:** Fill in the blanks to copy each sentence.

Most small children get hurt near their home. If you have children, always:

• Hold your child's hand when crossing the street.

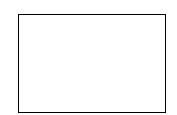
*Example: <u>Hold</u> your child's hand when crossing the street.* 

• Teach them to look left, right, then left again before crossing the street.

1. Teach them to look \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, then \_\_\_\_\_ again before crossing the street.



- If you have a yard, put up a fence to keep them away from the street.
- 2. If you have a yard, put up a \_\_\_\_\_\_ to keep them away from the street.



# **Being a Good Pedestrian**

**Directions**: Answer the questions.

1. Which rule is hard to remember?

2. Which rule is easy to remember?

3. Where do you usually walk? Put an X by one or more:

- \_\_\_\_ to school
- \_\_\_\_ to work
- \_\_\_\_ to the store
- \_\_\_\_\_ to my friend's house
- \_\_\_\_\_ to the library, or post office or doctor's office
- \_\_\_\_\_ other places
- 4. What are two things you can do to be a safer pedestrian?

I can \_\_\_\_\_.

I can \_\_\_\_\_.

# **Safety Tips from the Internet**

### **Directions:**

- 1. Go to Internet.
- 2. Click in the address box.
- 3. Type www.nhtsa.dot.gov/kids/biketour/pedsafety and click Go.
- 4. Then follow the directions in each question below.

1. Scroll down and read the three **Safety Tips for Walkers**. What does tip #2 recommend that you wear?

2. Scroll down to **What to Wear** on the bottom of the page. Click on it. What are two things you should <u>not</u> wear?

3. Click the **Back** arrow at the top of your screen. Scroll down to **City Biking** on the bottom of the page. Click on it. What is the #1 rule?

### **Directions:**

- 1. Click in the address box.
- 2. Type safety.fhwa.dot.gov/roadshow/walk/facts/index.html and click Go.
- 3. Then answer the questions below.

1. How many pictures are on this page? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Is the little boy in the picture safe? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Read "A national problem". How many pedestrians are killed every year?

4. A pedestrian or bicyclist is killed or injured every \_\_\_\_\_ minutes.

## Be a Safe Pedestrian: Review Quiz

**Directions**: Read each question and circle the best answer.

A crosswalk is

 A. safe for people
 B. safe for cars
 C. sometimes safe for people

### 2. It's better to cross the street with a group because

- A. it's more fun
- B. a group is quicker
- C. a group is easier to see
- 3. When it's dark, it's smart toA. wear white and carry a flashlightB. run fast across the streetC. light a candle
- 4. Cross the street A. slowly
  - B. walking quickly C. running

Directions: Read each statement below and circle the number that best describes how you feel.

1. I am a safe pedestrian.

1	2	3	4
No			Yes

2. I know at least 4 important rules about pedestrian safety.

1	2	3	4
No			Yes

# **TRAFFIC SAFETY Pedestrian Safety**



### **CHECKLIST:** Check ✓ each worksheet when you finish.

- \_\_\_\_ Pedestrian Safety (pages 2-3)
- \_\_\_\_ Safety Tips (pages 4-5)
- \_\_\_\_ Children's Safety (page 6)
- \_\_\_\_ Being a Good Pedestrian (page 7)
- \_\_\_\_ Safety Tips from the Internet (page 8)
- \_\_\_\_ Be a Safe Pedestrian: Review Quiz (page 9)

I finished all the worksheets and activities.

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### ANSWER KEY Pedestrian Safety

#### Pedestrian Safety (pages 2-3)

1. crosswalk

6. signal

obeys, curb
 crosswalk

- 2. corner
- 3. curb
- 4. signal, signal, signal
- 5. obey

#### Safety Tips (pages 4-5)

These words should be circled: right, flashlight, corner, stop, left, group, white.

- 1. corners
- 2. stop
- 3. right
- 4. group
- 5. white, flashlight
- 6. left

#### Children's Safety (page 6)

- 1. left, right, left
- 2. fence

### Safety Tips from the Internet (page 8)

- 1. brightly colored clothes
- 2. headphones, clothing that's too loose, inappropriate shoes or dark clothes (any two)
- 3. Always ride on the right
- 1. 3
- 2. no
- 3. 5000
- 4. 6

#### Review Quiz (page 9)

- 1. C
- 2. C
- 3. A
- 4. B

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