TRAFFIC SAFETY

Pedestrian Safety



Level:	High Beginning ESL
Materials Needed:	None
Technology Needed:	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.

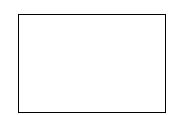
Example: <u>Hold</u> your child's hand when crossing the street.

• 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

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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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Instructor's signature

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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