



READING

Traffic Safety Cross-Curriculum Activity Workbook

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Note to Teachers

The AAA Traffic Safety Education Materials present essential safety concepts to students in Kindergarten through fifth grade. The material is designed to capture students' imaginations and encourage them to learn more about traffic safety while completing writing, spelling, reading, and math exercises.

This edition covers the following safety topics:

- **Pedestrian Safety** – How children get to and from school safely including the safest places to walk, where to cross streets, and cooperating with crossing guards.
- **What to Do in an Emergency** – The steps children should take in an emergency to keep them safe from harm.
- **Safe Places to Play** – Which places are dangerous for children to play in and how they can find safe places to play.
- **Look Both Ways** – The proper procedure for crossing streets safely.
- **School Bus Safety** – How children should behave on the school bus to keep them and everyone else safe.

When introducing the program, you should notify parents and seek their involvement.

Grades 2-3 Reading Activity Workbook

This 16-page booklet presents Traffic Safety concepts in reading exercises including: identify sentences, parts of speech, and writing.

How to Use the Materials

Each workbook activity is perforated and can easily be photocopied by the teacher for distribution or entire workbooks can be given to individuals.

Review the activity instructions together, and then allow students to complete the exercises individually or in small groups. Review the answers together, explaining concepts students appear to have trouble understanding.

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Note to Parents

You're the biggest influence on your children and their attitudes toward everything including traffic safety. Show them their safety matters to you as much as it should to them.

AAA encourages you to take an active role in your child's traffic safety education. By being a good role model and discussing important safety concepts with your children, you'll be teaching them skills that could save their lives.

When your child brings home traffic safety education materials from school:

- Review the materials together.
- Ask your child to demonstrate the concepts to you.
- Model the concepts as you walk, ride, drive, and travel with your children.
- Demonstrate safe behavior all the time; never ask children to do what you say, not what you do, when it comes to safety.

Remember, the safety concepts you practice together, could save your life and theirs.



Your traffic safety pals read signs
and watch for cars.



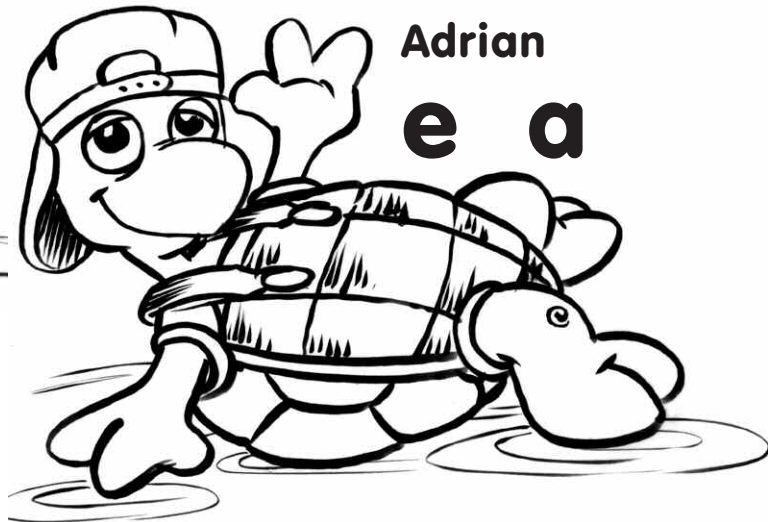
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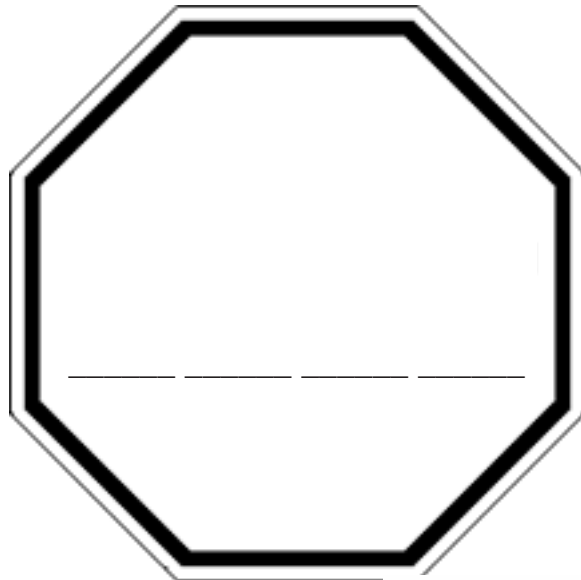
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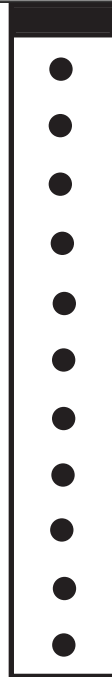
Say each picture name.
Circle the vowel you hear.



This sign is missing its letters. Help Andy fill in the correct word, then circle which rule applies to this sign when on the road.



- a) This sign means keep going as fast as you can.
- b) This sign means slow down, then keep going.
- c) This sign means stop, then continue if clear.

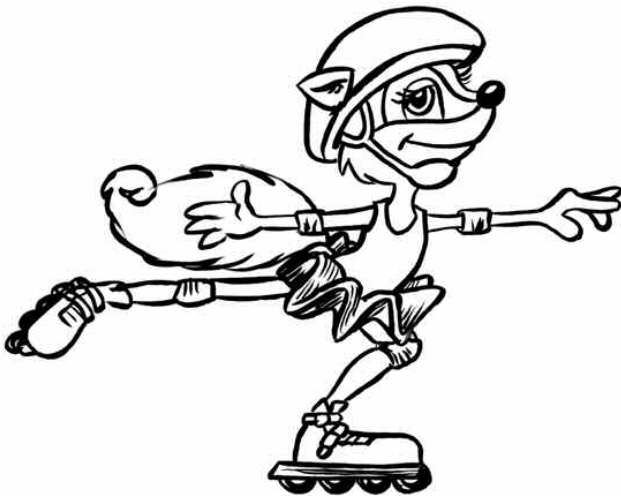


Play away from the street!

Playing

Skating

Pointing



Draw a line to match the verb with the picture that it describes.



Write an "S" in front of each complete sentence describing the group. Write "No" if it is not a sentence.



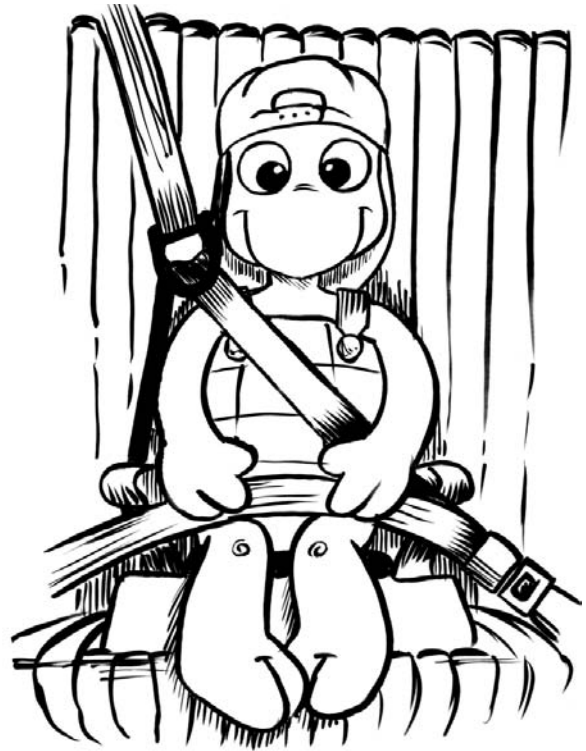
- Angel, Andy and Adrian are waiting for the bus.
- They do not play in the street while waiting.
- Safe place to sit.
- When the bus arrives, they will line up at the door.
- Large bus door.
- It is not safe to run behind the bus.



Adjectives are words that describe something.



Mr. Clock says don't be late!



Little Adrian is sitting quietly in the big car.



The large yellow bus takes you safely to school.

Color the pictures that have adjectives describing them. Circle the adjectives.



Draw a line to the word that rhymes with the picture.



Jar

Fine

Danger

Fuss



**Always stop and look all ways before crossing
the street!**

ABC's

Match the words with their meaning in the sentence.

- | | |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| A. All ways | A. At all times |
| B. Always | B. Prior to |
| C. Crossing | C. Every way |
| D. Street | D. Road |
| E. Before | E. Search for |
| F. Look | F. Go from one side to the other. |



Color Andy and Angel.



**Circle the correct word that describes
the picture.**

Jumping

Walking

Tripping

Sitting



**Always watch where you are walking,
running, or riding.**





Put an X next to the traffic safety rules.

Walk, don't run!

- Walk, don't talk when you cross the street.
- Walk and watch where you are walking.
- Shout and run, it's more fun.
- Stay out of the way of cars.
- Walk, don't run, across the street.

Put an X next to the true statements.

- Whenever you see a stop sign, always stop.
- Stop signs are square.
- It is best to stop and look all ways before crossing the street.
- When you can see the driver, they can always see you.
- Green light means stop.
- It is never safe to play in a busy street.

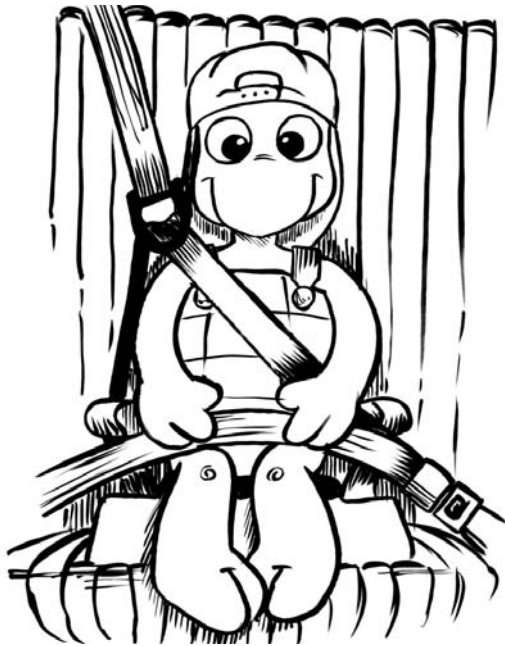


Color the Safety Patrol Raccoon.



Match each sentence to the picture it describes.

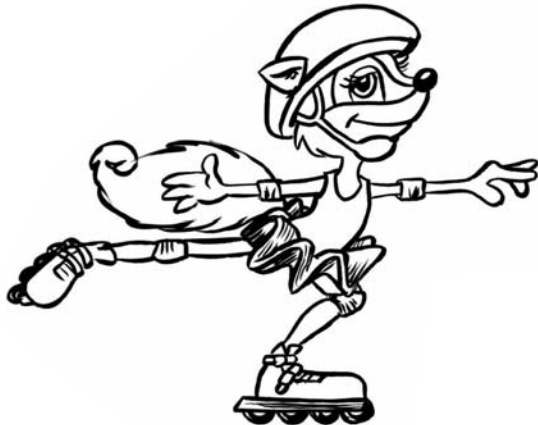
Which picture is wrong and why?



a) Angel always wears her helmet while rollerblading.

b) Adrian is sitting in the car quiet and still.

c) Adrian is standing on the slide.



d) Angel always follows the safety rules.

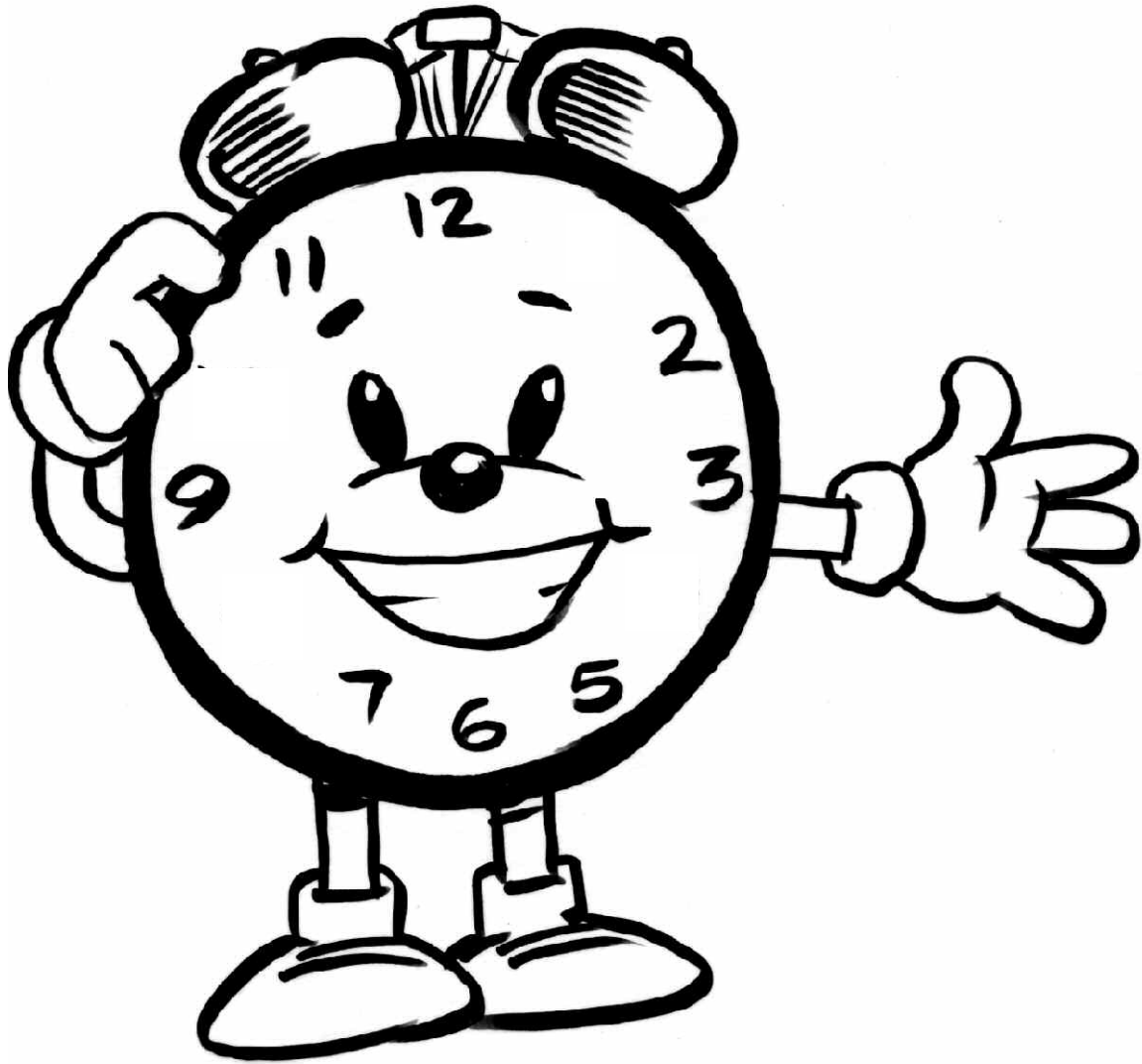
e) Adrian is not being safe.



f) Adrian always rides in his booster seat.



Always be on time for the bus.



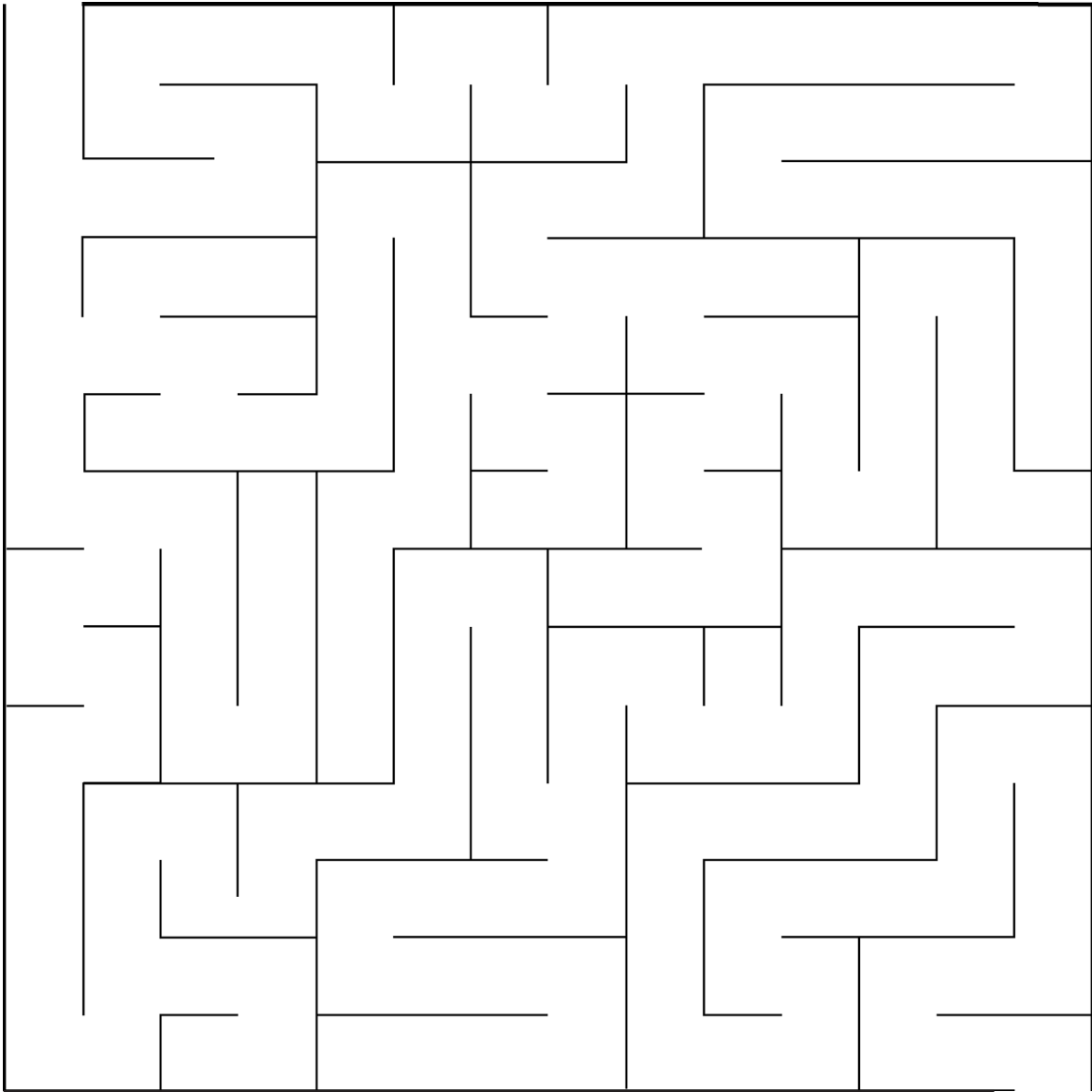
Circle the number words that are missing from the clock.

One	Two	Three	Four	Five
Six	Seven	Eight	Nine	Ten
Eleven	Twelve			

Fill in the missing numbers.



Always take the safe way, not the shortest way!
Help Otto find his way to school through the maze.



Traffic related accidents are the leading cause of death for children ages 6 to 14!

The Problem

Motor-vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death and injury for American children, outranking all other types of unintentional injuries and claiming more lives than any childhood disease. Young pedestrians are at a disadvantage over adults because they are shorter, have not fully developed peripheral vision, have difficulty in judging a vehicle's speed and distance and often think, if they can see the driver, the driver can see them. Not knowing how to restrain children properly in vehicles puts children at risk of serious injury or even death. Combine these factors together and children are at their greatest risk traveling to and from school than at any other time in the school day if they are not riding the school bus.

AAA understands the magnitude of this problem . . .

AAA produces a wide variety of traffic safety educational programs and products, including workbooks, traffic safety posters, videos, audiotapes, interactive CD-ROMs, and links to www.aaa.com for kids and adults. AAA wants to help children learn how to be safe pedestrians and protect themselves as passengers in motor vehicles. Designed to entertain as well as teach, these cross-curriculum traffic safety educational materials, will help teach children valuable lessons, which could truly save their lives.

Traffic Safety Facts *

- Of the young pedestrian fatalities, 84 percent occurred at non-intersection locations.
- More than 21 percent of the traffic fatalities in the 0-14 age group were pedestrians.
- Over 40 percent of young pedestrian fatalities occurred between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m.
- Every day, 7 children between the ages of 0 to 14 are killed in motor vehicle crashes.
- Every day, 872 children are injured in motor vehicle crashes.
- Of the 550 children under age 5 killed in motor vehicle crashes, 53 percent were totally unrestrained.
- Children 14 years old and under accounted for 26 percent of the pedalcyclists killed in motor vehicle crashes.
- Of the pedalcyclists injured in motor vehicle crashes, 39 percent were under 15 years old.
- The use of bicycle helmets is the single most effective countermeasure available to reduce head injuries and fatalities resulting from bicycle crashes.

Tips for Parents:

- Have children ride in the back seat in the appropriate restraint system.
- Walk your children to school the first few days to ensure they know the safest route.
- Explain why it is important to cross only at crosswalks and to look left-right-left before entering a crosswalk.
- Teach your children where the safe places to play are.
- Teach your children what to do in an emergency.
- Ensure children know their address and phone number in case they get lost.
- Just slow down.
- Leave a few minutes early each day in anticipation of a child crossing the street, a school bus picking up/dropping off children or your route takes you through a school zone.
- Expect the unexpected - anticipate a child darting across the street mid-block, entering the roadway from between parked cars, or riding a bicycle against traffic.
- Stop for the stopped school bus - don't try to go around.

* Statistics from National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Traffic Safety Facts

