



School travel lesson plans Celebrating Public Transport

Public Transport Assembly Plan

R,1,2,3,4,5,6

Yr

Duration: approx
30 mins

Objectives; by the end of the assembly the children should be able to

- Recognise the different types of public transport
- Understand how public transport has changed over the years
- Suggest ways to keep safe when travelling on public transport
- Consider how that public transport will be developed in the future (Yr 4,5,6)

Introduction

Introduce yourself and explain briefly what the children are going to learn about using the objectives above

What is public transport?

Bus/train/tube/tram/boats/ferries/airplanes

Where do you find it?

Everywhere but more so in cities and especially in London.

Why is it important?

To help people travel, move big groups of people, moving goods

Alternative to the car – less congestion – carries more people

Show old pictures of public transport

E.g. routemaster buses, slam door trains, tubes

How have these improved?

Are they better?

What has the Mayor of London done to promote use of the buses?

- congestion charge

Main Presentation



We want you to use public transport more, but we want to make sure that you keep safe. Let's play a game.

Split the hall into two halves down the middle – Group 1 and Group 2

Quiz questions to each half and ask for majority vote.

BUS

- When must you ring the bell on the bus – when you want to get off
- Should you ring this more than once? – No
- How do you indicate that you want to get on the bus? – arm out
- Where should you **not** sit on the bus? – prams, priority seating
- What should you do with your ticket – keep it until you get off and then put it in the bin

TUBE and TRAIN

- What does the yellow line mean on the tube platform? – stay behind
- If a tube is busy – should you stand near the door? – NO – you should move down to make room for others
- Should you let people off the tube before you get on? – YES
- How loud should your music be when you are on the tube?

Summary

What would you like public transport to look like in 10 years time?

Recommended Resources

Historical pictures of public transport