

Walking to school safely

- How many of you walk to school?
- How many of you walk to school with a parent or other family member?
- How many of you walk to school with a friend?
- How many of you walk to school on your own?

Are you always walking safely?

How can you make sure that you are safe when walking to school in the morning or walking home at the end of the school day?



Walk together

- Younger children should always walk with an adult.
- If your parents say that you can walk to school on your own, remember these tips:

Walk with a friend when possible.

Ask your parents to help you pick a safe route to school; one that avoids dangers.

Stick to the route you picked with your parents. Don't let friends talk you into shortcuts or visiting other places on the way to school that are more dangerous.

When you are near the street, don't push, shove, or chase each other.

Never take rides from people not arranged by your parents not even if you know them.

Be seen

- Remember, drivers may not be able to see you well. Always wear bright-coloured clothes
- If it is dark or hard to see, carry flashlights/torches or wear reflective gear.



Look for traffic

- Watch out for cars and trucks at every driveway and intersection on your walk to school.
- Look for drivers in parked cars; they may be getting ready to move



Cross the street safely

1. Stop at the curb or edge of the street.
2. Look left, right, left and behind you and in front of you for traffic.
3. Wait until no traffic is coming and begin crossing.
4. Keep looking for traffic until you have finished crossing.
5. Walk, don't run across the street.

