Helping little Londoners be safe around roads

Session

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with Zeb

A Safe Place to Cross

Key messages

The best way to cross at appropriate crossings, with a grown-up.

You'll need:

Zeb's story and picture.

2 x Safe Crossing Cards showing pictures of the red and green man. You will need to make these before the session.

The Road Safety Song at tfl.gov.uk/tfldiscoverers



Session introduction

Ask your child if they remember the Road Safety Socks Song from Session I. Play it and sing it together.

Remind your child of 'Stop. Look. Listen. Think'. Do the signs.

Can you both think of a good place to cross a road? How is a good place to cross a safe place to cross?

Talk about the different types of crossings – the ones that have lights and the ones that have buttons to press.

Before the story

Remind your child of Liv and tell them that Liv has a friend called Zeb. Show them Zeb (left) and ask your child what they think Zeb might be like.

After the story

Show your child your pre-made Safe Crossing Cards.

Ask them what they should do when they see the green man and what they should do when they see the red man.

Explain that red means stop, and green means go. Practise this.

Zeb doesn't walk along the street. Zeb dances along it.

Zeb and Liv are best friends.

One day, Zeb is dancing along the street to the park. Zeb sees Liv.

"Liv!" Zeb shouts and waves.

Liv zooms up to Zeb and stops.

"Let's cross the road!" says Liv.

"We can't cross here", warns Zeb. "There's a big tree and some parked cars. **The drivers won't be able to see us!**"

Zeb leads Liv to a **crossing**, **further down the road**.

"This is safe." Zeb says to Liv.

"There is a button to press.

The traffic lights stop the cars.

Look at the white lines and the bumpy pavement.

We can cross here."

"When the cars stop and the green man tells us, it's safe to cross."

Zeb presses the button. It says **"WAIT"**.

Liv and Zeb wait with their grown-ups until the cars stop.

The green man appears.

0-0-0-0-0-Action ZEBRA CROSSING Have you seen one? Why do we think they are called 'zebra crossings'? Action TRAFFIC LIGHTS Do you know how traffic lights work? What do the different colours mean?

...and they both cross the road to the park – safe and sound.

