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# ADVANCED PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

7th Grade Curriculum



## TIME TO LEVEL UP

You know the basics of pedestrian safety. Now it's time to level up.

What do you do when things aren't clearly \_\_\_\_\_?

How do you stay safe in \_\_\_\_\_ situations?

Let's find out.

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## QUICK REVIEW - PEDESTRIAN BASICS

1. Stay \_\_\_\_\_. No phones or headphones!
2. Use \_\_\_\_\_ when possible.
3. Cross at \_\_\_\_\_ or pedestrian signals.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ traffic signs and signals.
5. Look \_\_\_\_\_ before crossing.
6. Make \_\_\_\_\_ with drivers.

**NOT EVERY PLACE HAS \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_**  
**OR \_\_\_\_\_. HOW DO YOU STAY SAFE?**

## UNMARKED CROSSWALKS & INTERSECTIONS

\_\_\_\_\_ are the safest spot for pedestrians to cross, especially when there is a pedestrian signal present. But if there's not a marked crosswalk? The next best thing is to cross at an \_\_\_\_\_ where two \_\_\_\_\_ meet.

- DON'T cross \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ parked cars!
- Drivers are supposed to \_\_\_\_\_ to pedestrians in \_\_\_\_\_ and keep an eye out for them elsewhere — but don't count on it.
- Always look \_\_\_\_\_, wait and make \_\_\_\_\_ with drivers before crossing.

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## RURAL ROADS

A lot of Arkansans live out in the \_\_\_\_\_.

Being a safe pedestrian can look a little different outside of \_\_\_\_\_.

Rural areas often have no \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

speeds and fewer \_\_\_\_\_, and drivers aren't usually expecting

\_\_\_\_\_.

- Walk on the \_\_\_\_\_ side of the road, \_\_\_\_\_ the flow of traffic so you can see cars coming.
- Wear \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ gear.
- Be extra careful near \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Step \_\_\_\_\_ when needed to give space.

## CROSSING IN UNMARKED AREAS

What if there's no \_\_\_\_\_? No crosswalk? No signal?

You got this.

- Choose a visible, \_\_\_\_\_ section of road.
- Avoid \_\_\_\_\_ or hills where drivers will have \_\_\_\_\_ spots.
- Look \_\_\_\_\_ and cross when there's a safe gap in traffic.
- Never assume drivers will \_\_\_\_\_ for you!

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## PARKING LOTS ARE NO JOKE

Thousands of pedestrians get hit in \_\_\_\_\_ areas every year. Why are they so risky?

People aren't paying \_\_\_\_\_ like they do on the road.

Cars \_\_\_\_\_ fast, lanes are \_\_\_\_\_ and drivers may not see you.

When possible, walk \_\_\_\_\_ cars, not \_\_\_\_\_ them.

Stay \_\_\_\_\_ — no phones or headphones.

## ROUNDBABOUTS

Roundabouts are more and more common, and they \_\_\_\_\_ pedestrian safety (yay!). But you still need to do a few things to stay safe.

1. Cross at \_\_\_\_\_ crosswalks, which are usually \_\_\_\_\_ the main traffic circle.
2. Look \_\_\_\_\_ ways, even if traffic is only moving in one direction.
3. Wait until all lanes are \_\_\_\_\_ before crossing.

## PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AT NIGHT & IN BAD WEATHER

Rain, fog, snow, darkness = \_\_\_\_\_.

- Use \_\_\_\_\_ when possible.
- Wear bright, \_\_\_\_\_ clothing and carry a \_\_\_\_\_.
- Avoid walking on \_\_\_\_\_ roads in bad conditions.
- Take it easy to avoid \_\_\_\_\_.

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## WALKING THE DOG

Dogs can be our best friends! But you + dog = double the \_\_\_\_\_ when walking.

- Use a \_\_\_\_\_ leash — no retractables near roads!
- Keep your dog on the side \_\_\_\_\_ traffic to protect them from cars.
- Don't \_\_\_\_\_ the leash around your hand.
- Pick up after your dog and stay \_\_\_\_\_

## DISTRACTIONS GET MORE DANGEROUS

You're older now and may have more \_\_\_\_\_ — so distractions are an even bigger risk. Maybe you're walking to the store, listening to music, texting a friend — and you don't see the car turning toward you. Disaster. Stay \_\_\_\_\_. Always.

## BE A SAFETY LEADER

Now that you know what is safe and what's risky — \_\_\_\_\_.

- If a friend walks into the street without looking, \_\_\_\_\_.
- If the group wants to cross mid-block, suggest walking to an \_\_\_\_\_.
- Make the \_\_\_\_\_ choice, even if no one's watching.

You can also \_\_\_\_\_ for safer streets in your community and make a difference. Write to your city council or mayor about:

- High-visibility \_\_\_\_\_ crosswalks
- \_\_\_\_\_ lighting in high-traffic areas
- Improved pedestrian \_\_\_\_\_

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**What's a pedestrian situation you feel more confident handling now?**

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