



# Stop look listen think

Your child needs to understand why **STOP LOOK LISTEN THINK** is important when crossing a road.

Here are some key questions to ask your child when you practise crossing the road together.



## STOP

Where should you stop and wait before crossing?  
 Is this a good place to stop?  
 Why do you need to stop before crossing?  
 Can you see traffic coming in all directions?  
 Can traffic see you?

## LOOK

What do you need to look for?  
 Where do you need to look?  
 Why do you need to look in all directions?  
 Where else could traffic come from?  
 What could happen if you only looked in one direction?  
 Can you see all of the traffic if you only look straight ahead?

## LISTEN

What do you need to listen for before you cross the road?  
 Can you hear any traffic coming?  
 Which direction is the sound coming from?

## THINK

Is the road clear in all directions?  
 Can the drivers and other people see you?  
 Is there a better place for you to cross the road?  
 Is any traffic coming towards you?  
 Can you get all the way across safely?  
 Is there somewhere to wait if you have to stop halfway?  
 Is it safe to cross now?



## At home activity – Pasta band

Ask your child to draw a picture or write the word 'stop' on a piece of tube pasta. Repeat this for look, listen and think. Now thread the pasta, in order, onto a piece of ribbon or string.

Tie the pasta band on your child's wrist when you go out walking to remind them about crossing the road.