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CROSSING THE STREET



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Teaching Notes

A social story is an effective way to teach children how to navigate a new situation, such as starting school or preschool or in this instance, safely crossing the road.

Social stories can help children understand what to expect at school or preschool and they can be used to support orientation, which is particularly useful when children and families are not able to be on-site.

Encouraging children to try using independence in problem solving in situations where safety is a prime concern, is a common social skill that needs to be frequently addressed. As educators we need to explicitly teach these skills.

This story can be used to help children to broaden their confidence, and to make safe and independent choices when crossing the road.

You may also enjoy these stories.



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Sometimes I need to cross the street to get to where I want to go.
It is important to cross the street safely so that I don't get hurt.



When I get to a stop sign, pedestrian crossing, or the end of the pavement, I need to stop and wait on the pavement.



Some pedestrian crossings have lights to tell me when it is safe to cross the street. Some pedestrian crossings do not.

If the pedestrian crossing has lights, then I can press the button to make the walk light work.



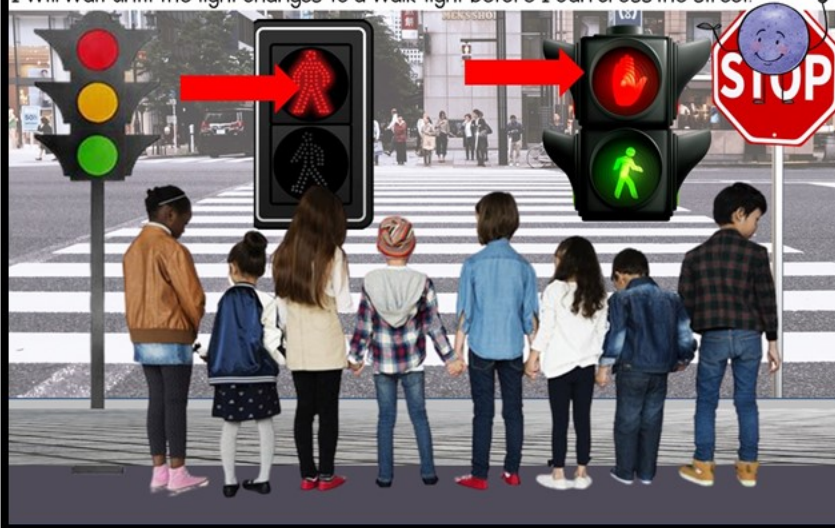
If the pedestrian crossing has lights, then I need to wait until the green walk light turns on.

I still need to look both ways first even if the walk light is on to make sure that all moving cars have stopped.

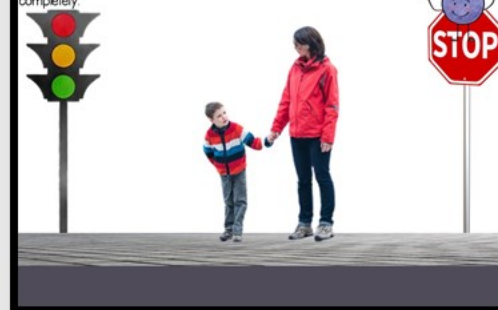


If the pedestrian crossing light has a hand up or a red light, then I need to stop and wait on the pavement.

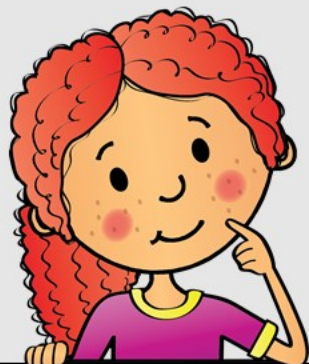
I will wait until the light changes to a walk light before I can cross the street.



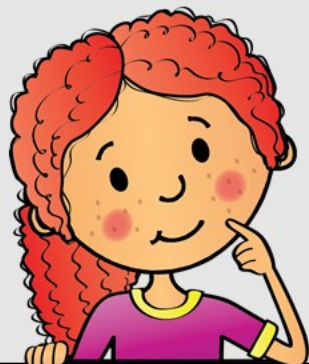
I need to look both ways (to the right and to the left) to look for any moving cars. If there are any moving cars, then I have to wait until those cars have stopped completely.



If the cars have stopped moving, then I can cross the street by walking quickly. I will stay on the pedestrian crossing while I cross the street. I should hold onto someone's hand while crossing the street.

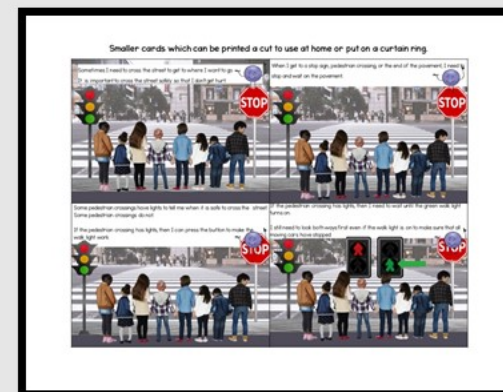


Everyone will be so proud of me for crossing the street safely and quickly!



Reward Chart
I can cross the road safely

1	2	3	4	5
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6	7	8	9	10 reward
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐



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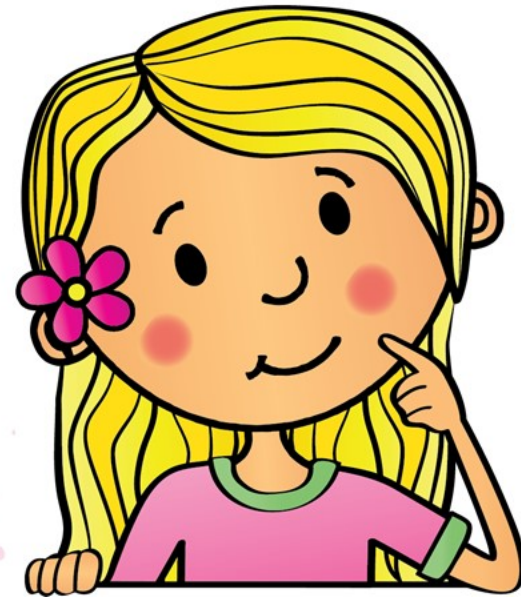
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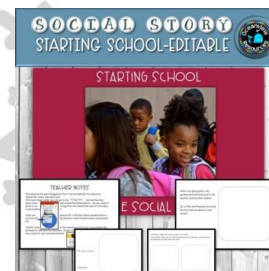
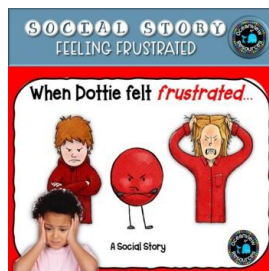
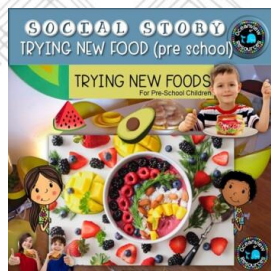
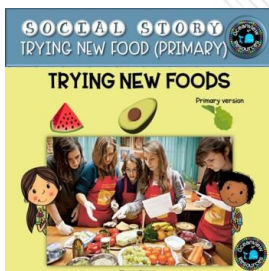
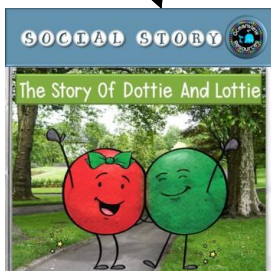
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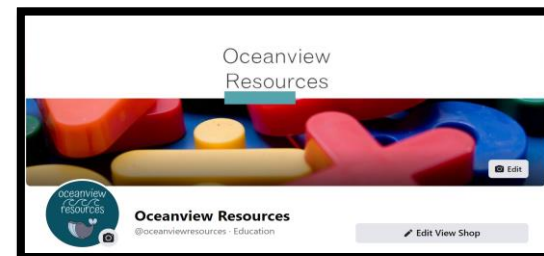
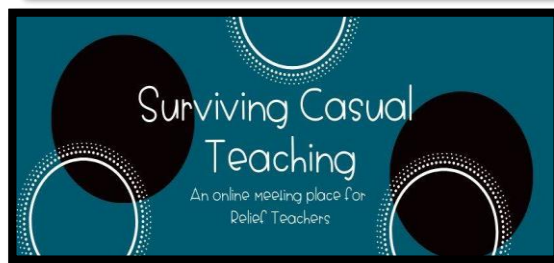


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