

TIP SHEET

Here are some tips for walking safely on the street.

- ① Try to **walk on the right** and pass on the left. This is especially important when you are walking or cycling on a bicycle path. You don't want to cause a crash!
- ② Always **make eye contact** with drivers when you want to cross the street. Before stepping into an intersection, make sure they see you.
- ③ Wear light coloured clothing so that drivers and cyclists can see you easily.
- ④ Remember that pedestrians have the right of way in crosswalks (with white stripes on the pavement) or intersections with traffic lights.
- ⑤ Crossing a busy street where there is no crosswalk is called jay walking. If the police see you, you could get a fine from \$50.00 to \$175.00.
- ⑥ Always try to walk on a sidewalk or a path. However, if there isn't a sidewalk, always walk facing oncoming traffic. Walk as close to the side of the road as possible.
- ⑦ Always carry ID with you.
- ⑧ Remember to stay off your phone and pay attention to where you are walking.





Name: _____

Date: _____

Instructions: Read the tip sheet. With your group or partner, discuss the questions below.

1. What is the purpose of the reading?
 - a. to teach drivers how to be safe
 - b. to teach people how to use sidewalks
 - c. to teach pedestrians how to be safe
2. Why is it important to walk on the right and pass on the left?

3. What should you do before crossing a street if a car is coming (especially if the car is turning)?

4. When do pedestrians have the right of way?
 - a. when crossing at a red light
 - b. when crossing at a crosswalk
 - c. when crossing in the middle of a busy street
5. What should you do if there is no sidewalk?

6. What can happen if you jaywalk?

Discuss with a partner or in your group:

7. Why do you think it's important to carry ID with you on a walk?
8. Why do you think people shouldn't text or talk on the phone while they are walking?

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Tips for Using Public Transit

Most cities in Canada have excellent public transit systems that include busses, streetcars, subways or trains. Here are some important things to remember when using public transit:

In Bus and Train Stations



- If you are using an escalator, always stand on the right and walk on the left.
- When you are using the stairs, walk up and down on the right.
- If you are waiting for the subway or train, always stand behind the safety line on the platform.
- When the train arrives, move to the right of the opening doors so that passengers can get off.

On Busses and Streetcars



- When you see the bus coming, have your fare ready. Remember, bus drivers cannot give change.
- Before you get on the bus, line up to the right of the doors so that passengers can get off the bus.
- The front of the bus is for seniors, parents with strollers, pregnant women and people with disabilities.
- If the bus is full, try to move to the back of the bus so that other people can get on.
- It is okay to ask the bus driver for help if you don't know where you are going or where you need to get off.
- Be sure to get off the bus from the back door whenever possible.
- Remember- never run for a bus if you are late! Another one will come soon.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Instructions: Read the text and answer the questions.

1. What is the main idea of the text?
 - a. Types of public transit in big cities
 - b. Helpful information for taking public transit
 - c. How good public transit is in Canada
2. Which picture shows the correct way to walk on an escalator? **Circle A or B.**

A**B**

3. Which picture shows the correct way to walk down the stairs? **Circle A or B.**

A**B****Circle True or False**

4. When a train arrives, stand to the right of the door so people can get off.	True	False
5. A bus driver can give you change if you need it.	True	False
6. You should try to move to the back of the bus if it is crowded.	True	False
7. A bus driver is happy to help if you don't know where you are going.	True	False
8. Always get off a bus from the front doors.	True	False
9. What should you <u>never</u> do if you are late and trying to catch a bus? _____		
10. What are 2 things from the Tip Sheet that you do when you are on a subway or bus?		
