

Just call me Gus, I'm a yellow school bus.
I get to school safely, I'm the one to trust.

Knowing the rules, is how I keep cool,
When taking my friends to and from school.

But before we go, and start our safety show,
There's a few rhymes, my kids need to know.

So dig my jive, if you want to stay alive,
Stay quiet in your seat, and enjoy the drive!

50 (SAFE) WAYS TO LEAVE YOUR SCHOOL BUS



When waiting for the bus, Gus,
You need to make a plan, Stan,
No need to discuss much,
Get there 5 minutes early.

Get at the right place, Grace,
5 giant steps from the curb, Herb,
Bright clothes on your back, Zack,
You'll be inside happily.



Behind the bus is the Danger Zone, Joan,
Where the driver can't see you, Lou,
When you're riding off to school, Raoul,
Please listen to me.

Stay put in your seat, Pete,
Don't make no noise, boys,
Quiet near train tracks, Max,
So the driver can stop, listen and see.



Careful getting off the bus, Russ,
So nothing snags on the door, Lenore,
Tell the driver if you drop books, Brooks,
She'll help you get them back, Jack,
Just like she used to help me.

She'll tell you when
to cross, Ross,
5 big steps before you do, Chu,
Look both ways twice, Brice,
Cross the street when it's clear, Shabbir,
And you're halfway home to safety.

Now you're walking on your own, Simone,
Here's a few things to get you home.
Watch for cars backing out of lots, Scott,
In the middle of the block? Not!
Don't cross if you hear a siren, Brian,
If it says 'DONT WALK', don't go, Flo,
It's so easy, can't you see?



Cross tracks where they're marked, Clark,
Not when gates are down, Suzy Brown,
Or when lights are red, Ted,
It's all about safety.

Stay on the sidewalk when you can, Fran,
Grown-ups help with the rules, Jules,
Show you how to do it right, tonight,
And every day you will be,
Home safe with your family.



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GOING FOR A RIDE

When riding to school, in a car, truck, or van, If you want to be cool, here's a great plan.

Kids are not cargo, grown-ups sometimes forget, So you're smart to remind them, And they'll thank you, I bet.

Buckle up your seatbelt, Wear it low and tight, Shoulder belt on your shoulder, Make sure it's done right.



Sit in the backseat, Never ever get stuck, Riding in the back, of a pickup truck.

If there's one thing I know, Seat belts save lives, If you're just a day old, Or a hundred and five.

PEDESTRIAN MARCH



"Atten-SHUN!"

When you're walking on foot, You're your own marching band. Just pick up your feet, And start clappin' your hands...

"Atten-SHUN! Stop!"

Look left, look right, look left-right-left. Look left, look right, look left-right-left.

If it's clear then we can cross, Hold a grown-up's hand, So they don't get lost.



When it's dark, our clothes will glow, Reflectors on our heads and toes.



The corner's where you cross the street, The crosswalk is made just for your feet.

If it says 'DONT WALK', then don't go, It may look clear but you never know.

At train tracks we stop, look, & listen, For moving trains, pumping & hissing. Train tracks are no place for messin' round, When we want to hang, we hit the playground.

One more thing to shout about, Before school starts plan your daily route. Then walk that path with Mom or Dad, Knowin' where you're goin' will make you glad.

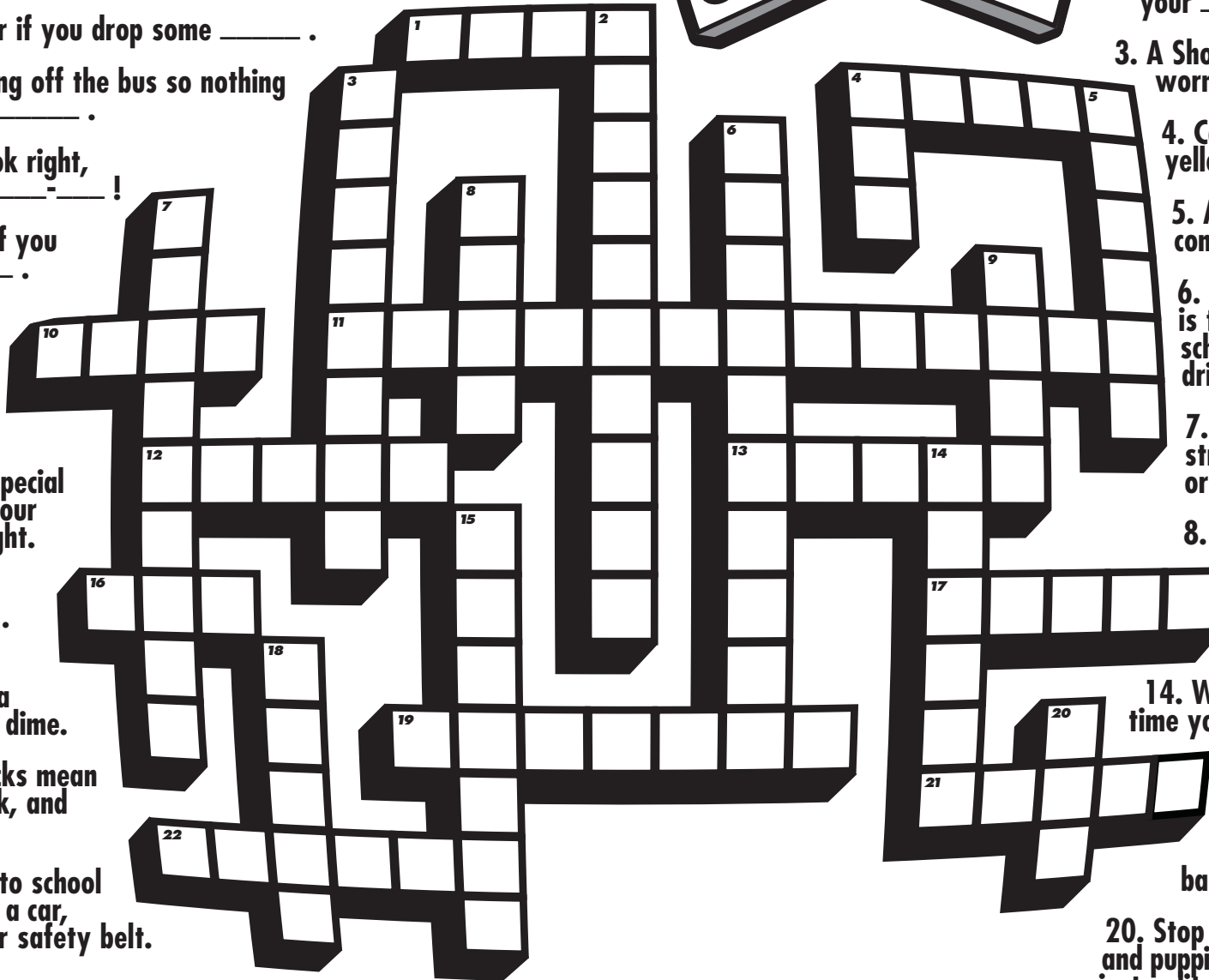


ACROSS



DOWN

1. Hold a grown-up's _____ when you cross the street.
4. Tell the driver if you drop some _____.
10. Careful getting off the bus so nothing snags in the _____.
11. Look left, look right, look _____-_____!
12. Don't cross if you hear a _____.
13. Flow with the traffic, please stay to the _____.
16. Draw out a special _____, with your parents tonight.
17. Seat belts save _____.
19. Inside your helmet tape a _____ and dime.
21. _____ tracks mean we stop, look, and listen.
22. When riding to school in a truck or a car, _____ your safety belt.



2. Before school starts plan your _____.
3. A Shoulder belt should be worn on the _____.
4. Call me Gus, I'm a yellow school _____.
5. A bus driver's main concern is _____.
6. The _____ is the area behind the school bus where the driver can't see you.
7. Always cross the street at the _____, or the corner.
8. Be _____, be seen.
9. Stay in your _____ when the school bus is moving.
14. Wear a _____ every time you ride your bike.
15. Get to the bus stop 5 _____ early.
18. Never ride in the back of a pickup _____.
20. Stop for people on foot, and puppies on paw. It's not just polite, it's also the _____.

ACROSS: 1. HAND 4. BOOKS 10. DOOR 11. LEFT RIGHT LEFT 12. SIREN 13. RIGHT 16. MAP 17. LIVES 19. QUARTER 21. TRAIN 22. BUCKLE
 DOWN: 2. DAILY ROUTE 3. SHOULDER 4. BUS 5. SAFETY 6. DANGER ZONE 7. CROSSWALK 8. SAFE 9. SEAT 14. HELMET 15. MINUTES 18. TRUCK 20. LAW

If you're hoppin' on your bike,
And riding 'round town,
Make sure what you're wearing,
Won't pull you down!

Shoe laces, big pants,
a strap, or a sash,
Might catch in your chain,
And cause a big crash.

When you're out on the street,
You're now *driving* your bike,
Eyes up, looking round,
Helmet buckled on tight.

With that helmet on straight,
V-straps around each ear,
Covering your forehead,
You've nothing to fear.

Draw out a special map,
With your parents tonight,
Plan out your route,
With each bump, stop, and light.

Then inside your helmet,
Tape a quarter and a dime,
To call home in case,
You won't be on time.

Stop for people on foot,
And puppies on paw,
It's not just polite,
It's also the law.

Obey every stop sign,
And each signal light,
Flow with the traffic,
Please stay to the right!

Riding your bike,
Is the very best fun,
As long as you learn,
How it's supposed to be done.

Show that you're able,
To master each rule,
You'll be like the smart kids,
Biking to school.

