



Stop. Look. Listen. Think.

Key messages

Stop. Look. Listen. And think, before crossing the road with a grown-up.

You'll need:
Liv's story and picture.

The Road Safety Song at
tfl.gov.uk/tfldiscoverers

Session introduction

Ask your child if they have crossed a road today.

Ask your child if they know the rules for crossing the road.

Why do we have rules for crossing the road?

Emphasise that it's very important to stay safe around roads and that they are going to learn some ways to make sure they cross the road in the best way.

Play them the Road Safety Socks Song and encourage them to sing along.

Before the story

Introduce Liv to your child. Show them Liv's picture (left). What does your child think Liv is like?

After the story

Try the **Stop. Look. Listen. Think** actions again.

Say the words '**Stop. Look. Listen. Think**'.

Then do them again with actions:

'Stop' – hold up one hand with emphasis.

'Look' – circle eyes with thumb and forefinger – like glasses.

'Listen' – put both hands up to ears.

You can then **'think'** by putting a finger to your head.

Tell your child this is the safe behaviour they must use every time they cross the road.

Repeat.



Liv's Story

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Liv is crazy about 'scooting' – on a bright red scooter. 'WOOOOSH!' goes the scooter.

On the way to the park one day, Liv was going really fast. But the park is on the other side of a busy road.

And 'WOOOOSH' became...STOP!

Liv knows to stop at the busy road. Liv gets off the scooter and stands still, like a statue.

Together, Liv and Liv's grown-up look out for cars.

And when the road is clear, Liv listens out for cars to check if any more are coming.

Now the road has no cars, Liv has one more thing to do – THINK.

Is it safe to cross?



Action

STOP

Do the 'STOP' signal together, with a flat, raised palm.

Action

LOOK

using thumbs and forefingers to make 'glasses' on your face to look for oncoming cars.

Action

LISTEN

Can we hear any more traffic?
Have your child cup an ear and listen.

Action

THINK

If there are no cars, do you think it would be safe to cross the road now? Think...

Yes it is safe.

Liv crosses the road. Liv can't wait to 'Wooosh' around the park on the scooter.