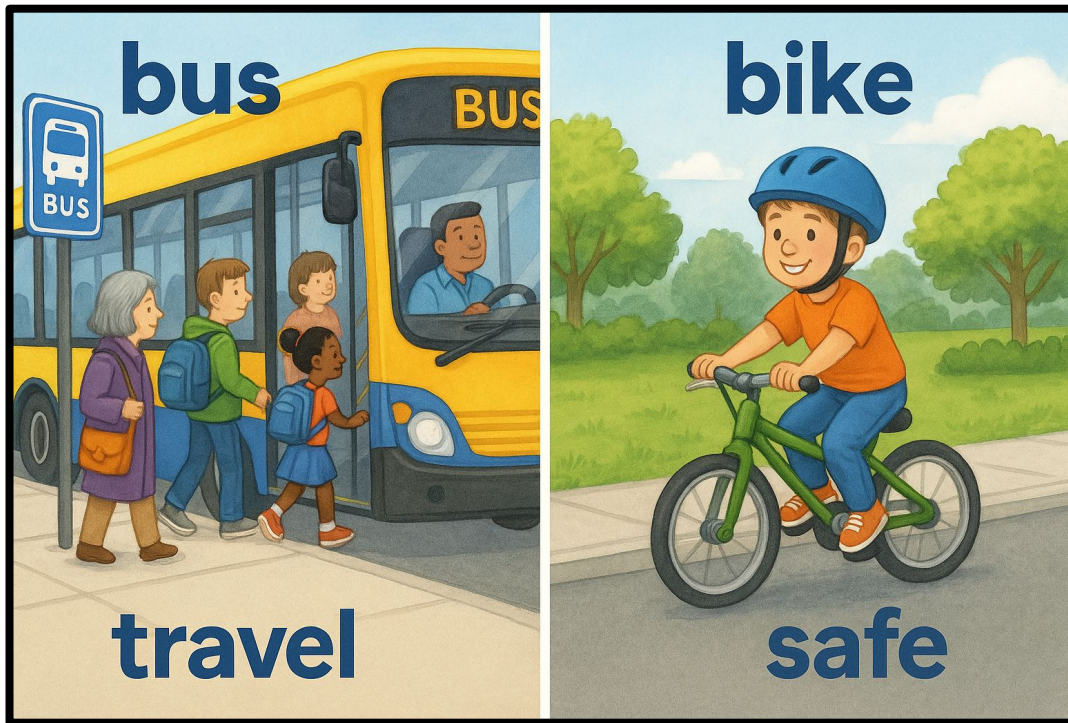


Reading Comprehension Worksheet: Compare and Contrast

Read the short story and answer each question.



Riding the Bus

Some people ride buses to get where they need to go.

A bus has two wheels and pedals.

You must wear a helmet to stay safe.

Buses move on bike paths and sidewalks.

One person rides a bus at a time.

Buses are good for your body and the Earth.

Riding a Bike

Some people ride bikes to get where they need to go.

A bike has two wheels and pedals.

You must wear a helmet to stay safe.

Bikes move on bike paths and sidewalks.

One person rides a bike at a time.

Bikes are good for your body and the Earth.



Name: _____

Riding the Bus & Riding a Bike

1. Which way of moving has many seats and goes on the road?

- A. Bike
- B. Bus
- C. Train
- D. Skateboard

2. Which way of moving is good for your body and uses pedals?

- A. Bus
- B. Bike
- C. Car
- D. Boat

3. Fill in the blank:

A _____ can carry many people to school or work.

4. What is one way riding a bus and riding a bike are different?

5. What is one way riding a bus and riding a bike are the same?



Parent and Teacher Guide

Guide Reading Level: F

Lexile Level: 85L-225L

Grade Level: 1st Grade, Beginning of the Year

Genre: Nonfiction – Paired Informational Texts (Community and Health)

Introducing the Text

"Today we're going to read two short nonfiction texts about different ways people get around—by bus and by bike. As we read, we'll look for what's the same and what's different between them."

Vocabulary: bus, bike, wheels, helmet, stop

Before Reading Discussion Questions

1. What are some ways people travel?
 2. Have you ever been on a bus or bike?
 3. Why do people use different types of transportation?
-

During Reading Discussion Questions

1. How are buses and bikes different?
 2. Which one is better for your body?
 3. Which one carries more people?
-

After Reading Discussion Questions

1. What did both texts teach you about getting from place to place?
 2. Would you rather ride a bus or a bike? Why?
 3. What did the illustrations help you understand about each kind of transportation?
-

Activity Idea

Give students a Venn diagram. In one circle, write "Bus." In the other, write "Bike." Have students draw or write one fact for each and one shared fact in the middle. Let them color it and explain their diagram to a partner.

