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# Pavo's Way to School Adventure

Road Safety Knowledge  
and Puzzles for Primary  
School Children



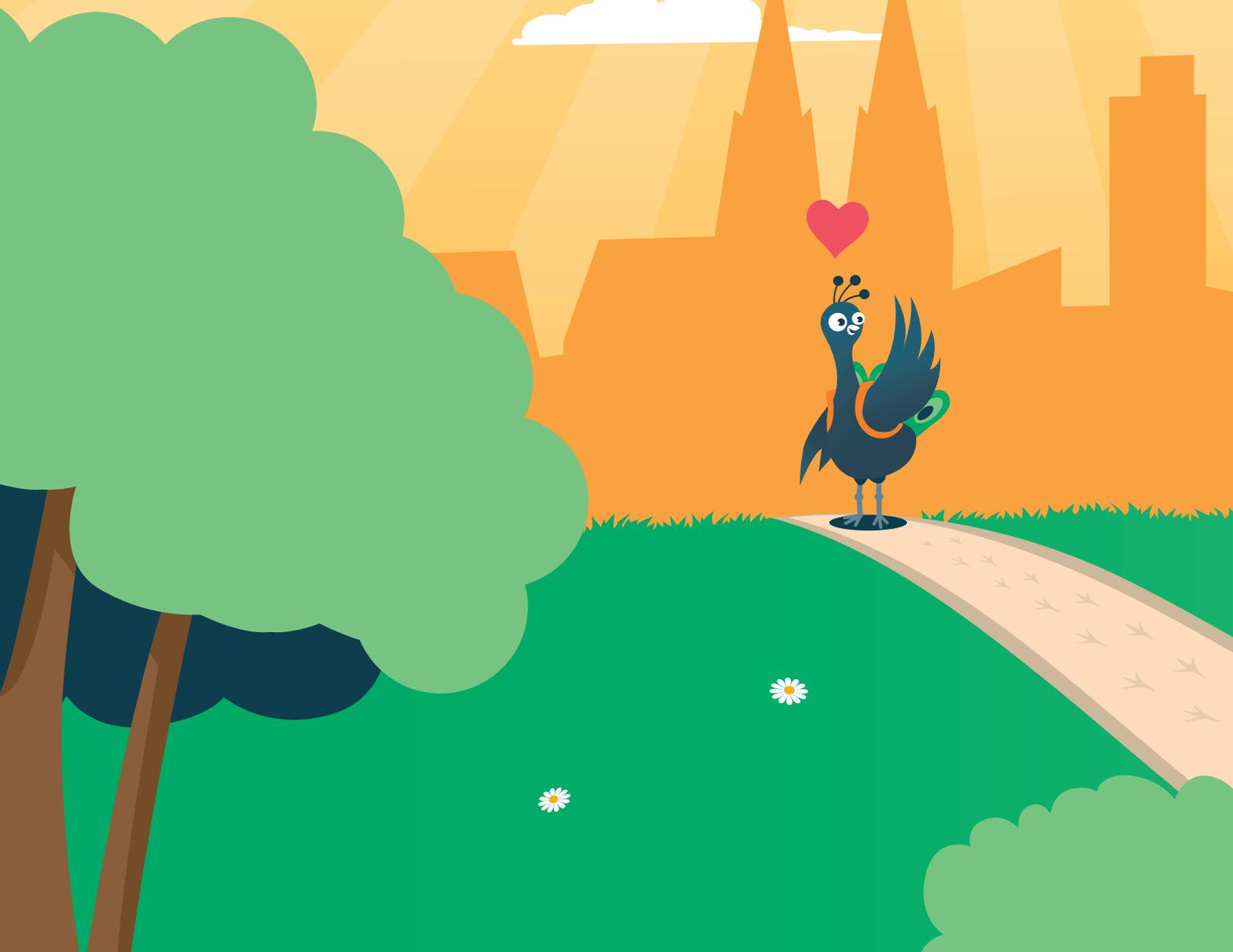


**Dear Children,**

Imagine there were no rules on the roads. Everyone would simply drive and walk the way they wanted. That would actually be pretty dangerous, right? That's why road safety rules are important for all of us! We need to know them and always follow them. They apply to both children and adults.

Join Pavo on his way to school and together you'll learn all about road safety. With a little practice and attention, you'll both become "Way to School Champions"!

We hope you enjoy the learning, puzzles and colouring!



Little Pavo has practised the way to school with his dad many times. He has a big day ahead of him today. He's walking to school on his own for the first time.

**Have fun, Pavo!**

Be careful and remember all the rules!



**Dear Grown-up:**

It is particularly important that children feel confident when they are navigating the streets. Discuss with the children which behaviour is correct and which is dangerous.

Clear, simple rules and catchy names help with this:

- Walk on the **children's side** of the pavement.
- Stop at the **stop stone**.
- Always **look with your whole body**.
- Cross the road **quickly**.

And above all: **Always follow the rules yourself** – you are the most important role models.

## Stop stones

Pavo arrives at the first road.

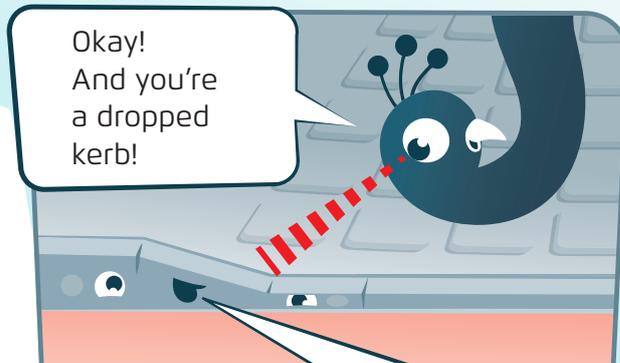


Do you know the pavement?

Colour the stop stones **red**. Colour the children's side of the pavement **green**. And colour the cycle lane **blue**.



Hi Pavo! I'm a stop stone! When you want to cross the road, you always need to stop before you get to me, okay?



Okay!  
And you're  
a dropped  
kerb!

Correct! You usually find me in front of driveways and entrances. So watch out for cars!



#### Dear Grown-up:

- The pavement is intended for all pedestrians and for cyclists up to 8 years old.
- The side of the pavement that is further away from the road is safer. That's why we call it the **children's side**. Children should know this and always walk on this side.
- **Designated cycle lanes** are sometimes part of the pavement. Attention: this traffic can be fast and also quiet.
- We call kerbs and solid lines, like those on the cycle lane, **stop stones and stop lines**. Always stand back from them and look carefully.
- Children must pay particular attention to **driveway entrances/exits**. Cars can drive over the pavement there.

At the next road Pavo needs to cross on the way to school, he meets the police dog Setti.



Do it like the meerkats!



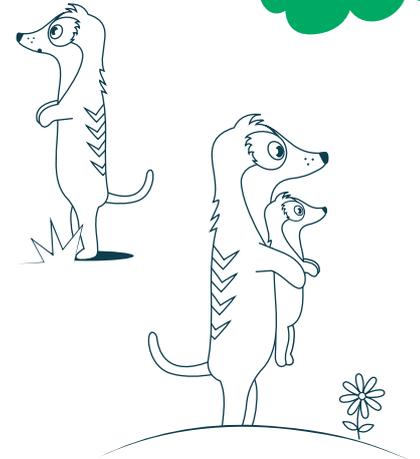
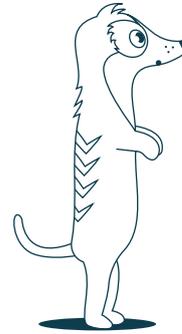
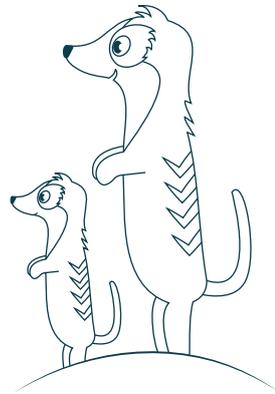
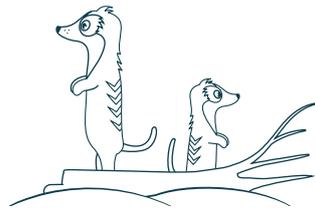
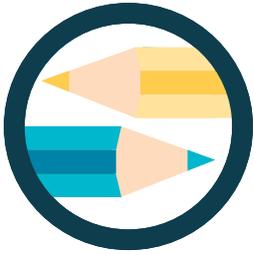
They actually spend their entire day looking left, right and left again with their whole body. Somebody might be coming!

**Dear Grown-up:**

If there are no pedestrian traffic lights nearby, children should know that

- first they need to stop when they reach the **stop stone**.
- they always need to look **left, right and left again**.
- they need to **turn with their whole body** and look carefully.
- they should only cross when the **road is clear** and there are **no cars** coming.





### Who looks where?

Colour in the meerkats: all of the ones looking left should be **yellow**.

And all of the ones looking right should be **blue**.

Pavo looks left, right and left again. No cars in sight! He then crosses the road. And meets his friend Tilda.



They decide to make the rest of the journey together.

Well done, Pavo!  
And hi Tilda!  
Be careful. Have a good day at school!



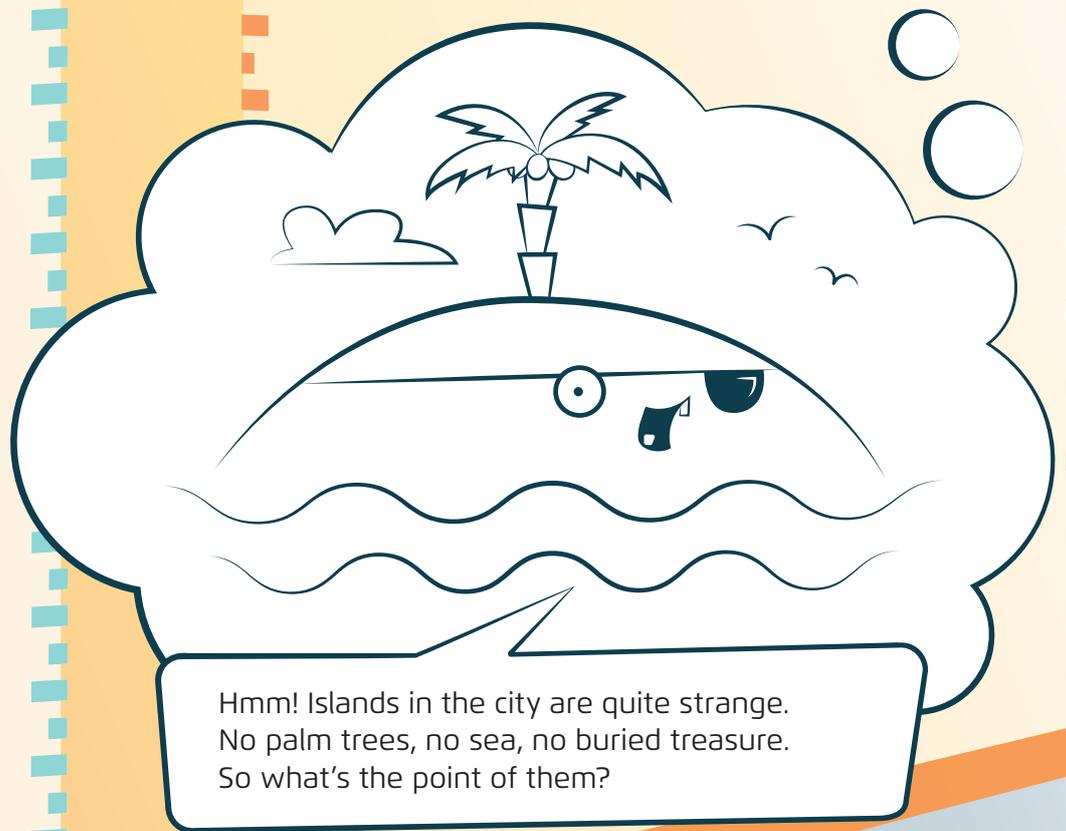
## Pedestrian islands

Next, Pavo und Tilda arrive at a pedestrian island.

You might know islands from pirate stories. Pedestrian islands haven't really got anything to do with that though.



Colour in the pirate island with your favourite colours.



Here on the pedestrian island, we need to look right, but also left again too.



### Dear Grown-up:

Traffic islands make it easier to cross the road because you are protected while you stop in the middle. But **pedestrians do not have priority over cars here**. Of course, you still stop at **stop stones and stop lines** and **look both ways**. Only continue when the lane is clear or a car stops to let you cross.

## Warning! Roadworks!

Crossing the road is much more dangerous here. You won't be seen as easily.



### Dear Grown-up:

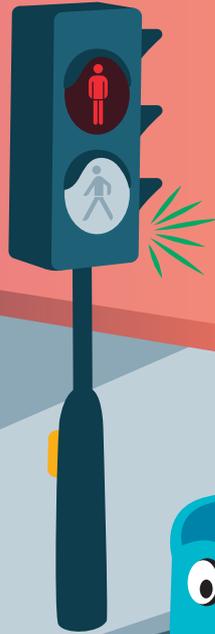
Children should know that roadworks are generally dangerous places. It is better to find a safe spot to cross the road. Even if it means making a short detour.

### Traffic maze

Find your way to the pedestrian island. Beware: Roadworks might block your way.



Oh Backe! Stop!  
It's red!



Shortly after the pedestrian island Pavo und Tilda reach the pedestrian traffic lights. They press the button. Before the lights turn green, the little pig, Backe, almost runs into the road.



**Dear Grown-up:**

Children should know that:

- Traffic lights with a **red and green person** are for pedestrians.
- When it is **green they can go**. But only once they have made sure that all cars have stopped.
- They should **cross the road quickly**: "Always walk, never run!"
- If they arrive at a light that is already green, it is better to wait for the cycle to end and only cross on a "**fresh green**" light.
- If the **traffic light turns red while crossing**, they should still continue to cross the road quickly.

## Phew! That was lucky. Close one!

But Backe knows that he shouldn't be in the road when the lights are red. It's good that we know when we can cross and when we need to wait.



I'm a traffic light. I can light up red, yellow and green. This is how I make sure that cars know when they can go and when they have to stop.



I am a pedestrian traffic light and can light up red and green. I make sure that you know when you can cross the street on foot.

At least Tilda and Pavo were paying attention!



## Zebra crossing

These two only need to cross the zebra crossing at the park, after that they can walk along the paths in the park for a while.



At the zebra crossing, we stop at the stop stone and wait until all the cars have stopped.

### Which word are we looking for?

Each symbol stands for a word. Combine them to get the answer.



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PLAY STREET



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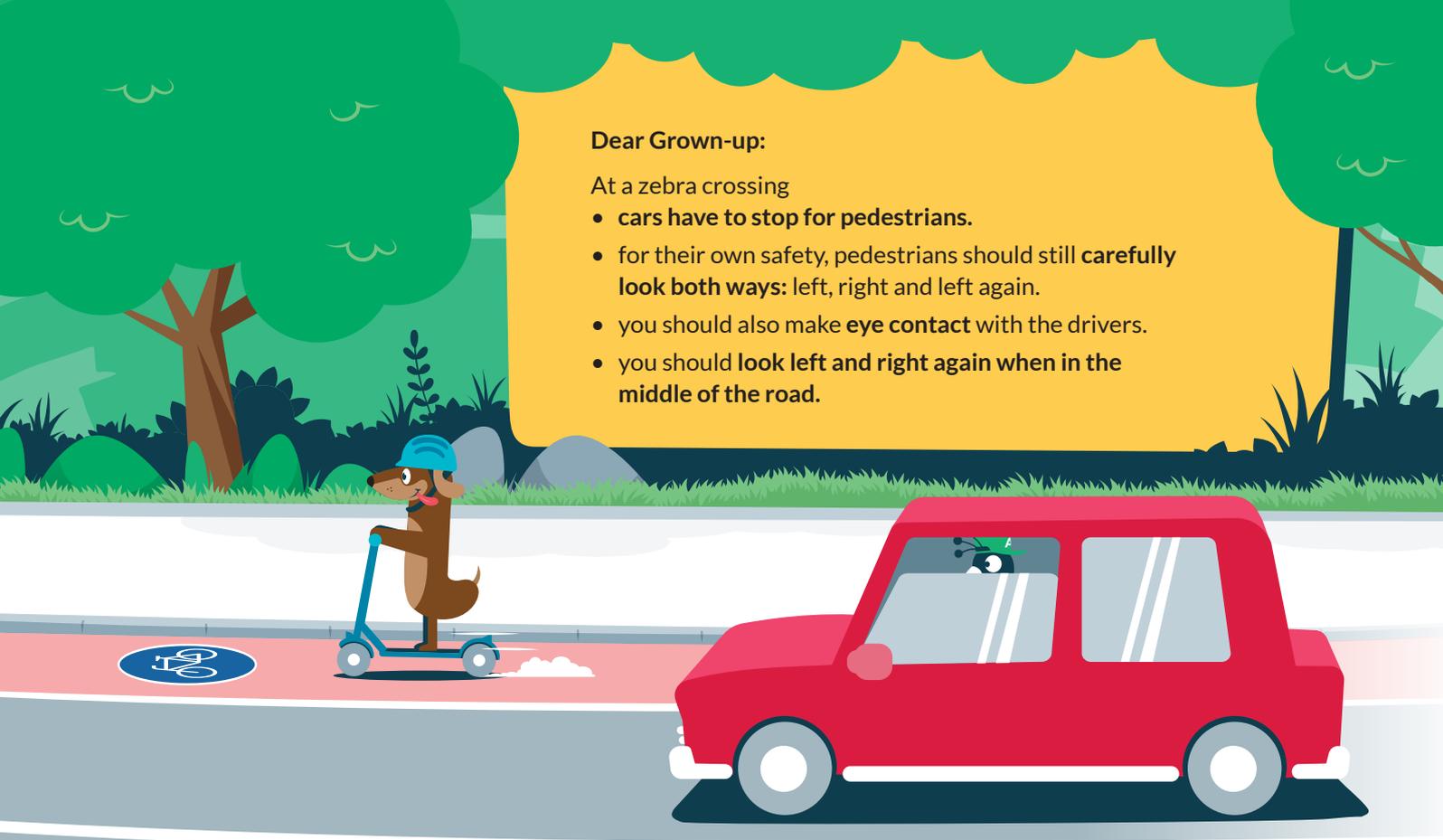
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Dear Grown-up:

At a zebra crossing

- cars have to stop for pedestrians.
- for their own safety, pedestrians should still **carefully look both ways**: left, right and left again.
- you should also make **eye contact** with the drivers.
- you should **look left and right again** when in the **middle of the road**.



Once all the wheels have stopped, we can safely cross!



Give the zebra its stripes.

Trace the dotted lines. What colour stripes would you give the zebra?



## Parked cars

At the park, Pavo und Tilda meet traffic researcher Lily.  
She regularly conducts experiments here.



Hi, you two!  
Do you want to help me with my experiment? I'm researching the best way to cross the road when you need to cross between parked cars.



Which gap is the best one for crossing the road?

Draw happy and sad faces.



Here, I can see that someone is sitting in the car. So, I look for another gap. The car may start driving and not see me.

**Dear Grown-up:**

When crossing the road, you should generally try to find an open space. However, it is sometimes not possible and you then have to cross the road using the gaps between parked cars. Children should make sure that:

- there is enough space between the cars
- there is nobody at the wheel
- there is no engine noise, no lights on, the wheels are not moving and there is no exhaust smoke

In the gap, they should stop at the headlights and only cross when the road is definitely clear.

Before you go:  
How do you  
know when a car  
might start driving?

This is how you  
tell when a car might  
start driving.



## Road signs

Behind the last tree in the park, Pavo and Tilda can now see the school. They've made it!



In class today, they're learning about road signs. Mr Phant is explaining the sign that indicates a separate path for cyclists and pedestrians.





Cycle lane

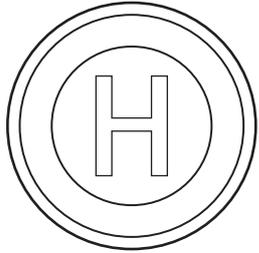


Roadworks



Do you know the road signs?

Colour in the signs with the right colours. They can all be found on Pavo's way to school.



Bus stop



Pedestrian crossing

When Pavo comes out of school, his dad is already waiting for him. He is very proud that Pavo has mastered the journey on his own. They walk home together.



**Dear Grown-up:**

- At the start, it helps if you can walk to school together with your children and explain the rules to them again.
- Once the children are ready to know the rules and able to apply them, it's best for them to practise on their own over short distances.



Can you find  
your way back?

Draw the route  
on the map.



**Did you notice anything?**

Pavo didn't notice at all, but I was  
always nearby. Have a look back  
through the pages and see if you  
can find me.



Pavo's mum is waiting for the two of them at home. To celebrate his achievements today, there is a delicious cake and a little surprise for Pavo: his very own "Way to School Champion" ID card.



C H A M P I O N



After eating his cake, Pavo works on his homework from today's road safety lesson.

## HOMework



Which road sign goes with which shape?  
Add lines to join them.



Attention:  
Pedestrians



Pedestrian  
crossing



Cycle lane



Separate  
cycle and footpath

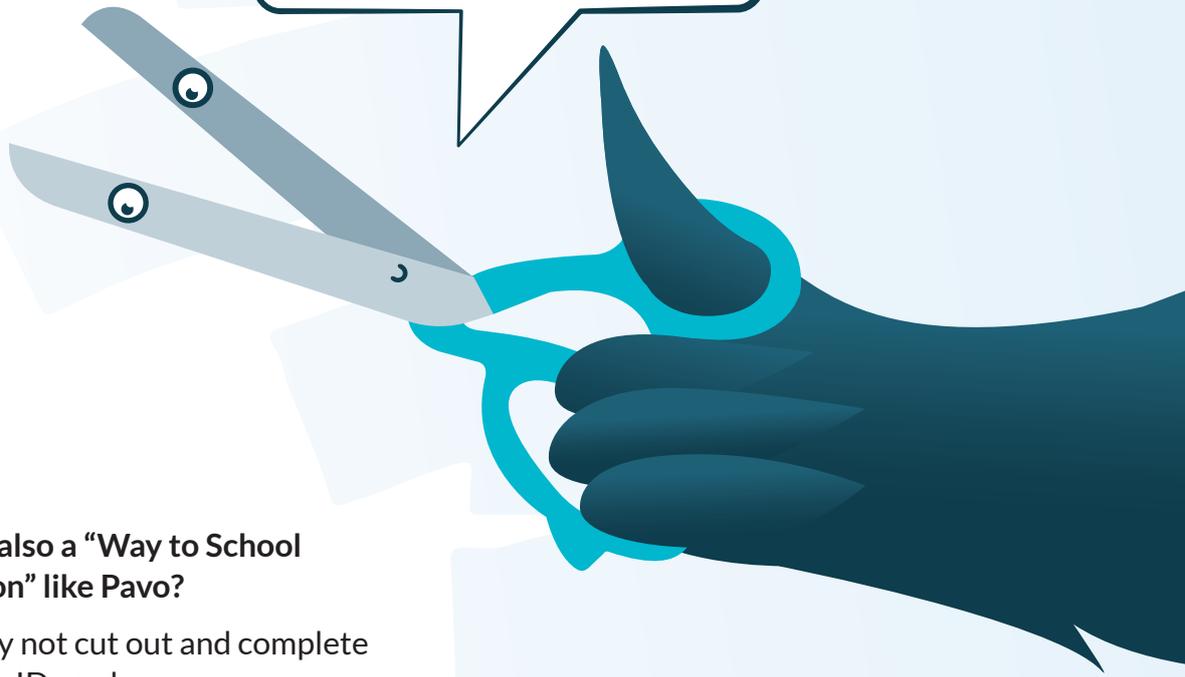


Caution:  
Roadworks

Dear Grown-up:

- Children should recognise the main road signs (for pedestrians). They should know what the colours and shapes mean.
- Red means Warning – especially as a triangle. Red circle signs indicate that something is prohibited.
- Blue signs are instructions and indicate, for example, who can walk where.

Snip, snip!



Are you also a "Way to School Champion" like Pavo?

Then why not cut out and complete your own ID card.

**EMERGENCY NUMBERS/  
NOTFALLNUMMERN:**

Name/Name:

Phone/Telefon:

Name/Name:

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**WAY TO SCHOOL  
CHAMPION**

An exciting day is drawing to a close. Before going to bed, Pavo and his dad look at how we can be seen better in the dark.



The holder of this ID card has completed the following road safety training:

- Stop stones and stop lines
- Correctly looking left and right
- Pedestrian islands and roadworks
- Traffic lights for pedestrians and cars
- Zebra crossing
- Crossing the road between parked cars
- Meaning of important road signs

All of the rules were repeated again with an adult.

Signature

Your picture:

First name:

Surname:

Phone:

Address:



Which items help you be seen in the dark?

Draw circles around these objects.

**Dear Grown-up:**

It is important that children can be clearly seen near roads, at all times of day and all year round. Schoolbags, rucksacks and coats with reflective elements can help with this. High-visibility vests, lamps and other luminous objects also ensure that you are seen earlier.

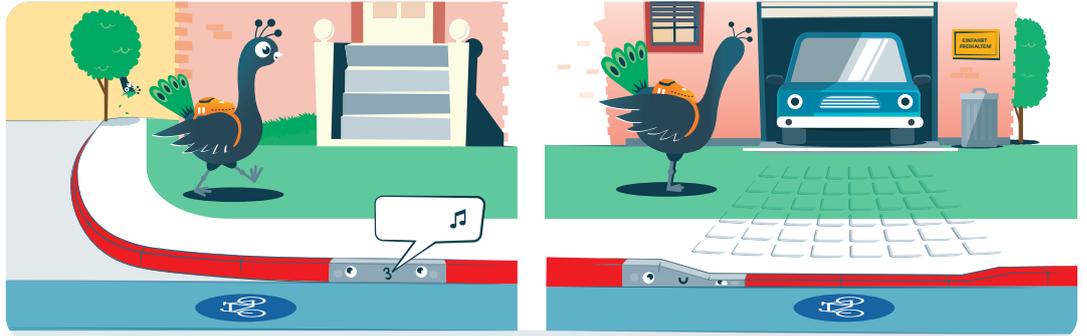
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my Way to School  
Champion!



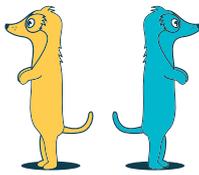
Pavo is already fast asleep.  
He's dreaming about meerkats,  
owls, cakes... and luminous bears...

# Answers:

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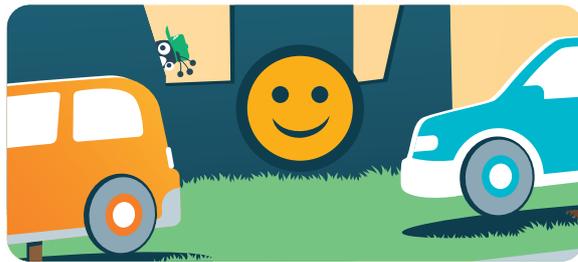
Traffic maze



Which word are we looking for?

- = PLAY STREET
- = TREE HOSE
- = CYCLE PATH
- = STOP STONE

Which gap is the best?



Do you know the road signs?



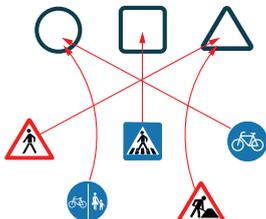
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# About Pavo's Way to School Adventure

As the third largest automobile association in Germany, the ACV is actively committed to road safety. The safety of children is very important to us. Our goal is to help children develop road safety knowledge at an early stage and to become independent and confident as they navigate the streets.

That's why we have created this educational booklet for children between the ages of five and eight in cooperation with Polizei Köln. It covers important traffic rules, encourages learning through exciting puzzles and offers parents and other caregivers handy tips to help children stay safe.

Pavo's Way to School Adventure is part of our "Way to School Champions" initiative, where, together with teachers, parents and children, we seek to make the way to school safer. More information on the initiative can be found at: [www.acv.de/schulweg-champions](http://www.acv.de/schulweg-champions)

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