



Street Crossing Champions

Objective: To teach students, how to safely cross the street at a marked crosswalk

Materials:

Create a zebra crosswalk with a simulated flashing beacon and push button.

Participants (Children and Teacher)

Clipboards and safety checklists (optional)

Instructions:

Setting the Scene:

Forming the Street Crossing Squad: Gather a group of students and introduce them as the "Street Crossing Squad." Explain that together, they will learn how to safely cross the street like a team.

Optional: Gather a group of students and introduce them as the "Car Crew." Explain that they will pretend to be cars traveling on the roadway, and that the "Street Crossing Squad" needs to wait for them to come to a complete stop before crossing.

Safety Review: Sit down with the squad and have a chat about all the things you have learned about crossing the street safely. Talk about the importance of pushing the button for locations where there are lights and looking left and right before crossing. Stress that they're a team, and teamwork makes street crossing safer.

Crossing Practice: Have the Street Crossing Squad line up at the crosswalk. When it's safe to cross, they should hold hands with their friends and cross the street together, just like a team.



Team Encouragement: As the squad crosses, encourage the students in the class to shout encouraging phrases like "Go team!" or "We're crossing safely together!" Make it a fun and positive experience.

Role Rotation: Rotate the order of who leads the squad across the street each time. Encourage them to look out for each other and remind their friends to follow the safety rules.

High-Five Celebrations: After each successful crossing, celebrate with high-fives or a group cheer. "3- 2 -1 Street Crossing Champions"
Reinforce their teamwork and safe street-crossing skills.

Debrief and Discussion: Gather the Street Crossing Squad and have a chat about their adventure. Ask them to share what they've learned about crossing the street safely as a team. Emphasize how important it is to always hold hands and work together.

Conclusion: Conclude the adventure by reminding the squad that they are now skilled street-crossing superheroes. Encourage them to use their new skills safely and always as a team.

This interactive activity emphasizes the importance of teamwork and safety. Holding hands with their friends adds an extra layer of camaraderie and ensures that they stick together as a squad.