

ACTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL BOOKLIST

In a world where movement shapes our lives, how we choose to travel matters more than ever. This booklist invites students to discover the joys and benefits of active and sustainable travel—from walking and cycling to using public transport and exploring eco-friendly innovations. Through stories, facts, and adventures, these books inspire young readers to think about how travel choices impact our health, our communities, and our planet.

Whether it's a tale of a child biking to school, a guide to greener cities, or a journey through cultures that embrace low-impact living, each book encourages curiosity, responsibility, and action. These reads are perfect for sparking classroom discussions, supporting curriculum goals, and empowering students to become thoughtful, active citizens of the future.

EYFS

Cycling

Bear on a Bike by Stella Blackstone

Bicycle Safety (Stay Safe) by Sue Barraclough

Christopher's Bicycle by Charlotte Middleton

Cycle City by Alison Farrell Reading age 3-5 years

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Dad and I Go On A Bike Ride Reading Age 0-5 years

Duck on a Bike by David Shannon EYFS/KS1

Frank and Bert; The One Where Bert Learns To Ride a Bike Chris Naylor Ballesteros Reading Age – 2-5 years

Franklin Rides a Bike by Paulette Bourgeois Reading Age 3-8 years

Giraffe on a Bicycle by Julia Woolf EYFS/KS1

Go Bikes Go by Addie Boswell - Reading Age 2-5 years

Hippo Rides A Bike Sue Graves Reading Age 3-5 years

Let's Spin: Bikes by Heath McKenzie

Miffy's Bicycle by Dick Bruna Reading age 2+

Mr Men Go Cycling by Adam Hargreaves Reading Age 3-5 years

Mrs Armitage on Wheels by Quentin Blake

My Giraffe Rides a Unicycle: A Collection of Children's Poems by Catherine Valente Reading Age – 2-8 years

Peppa's Big Race by Peppa Pig Reading Age 2-4 years

Peter Learns to Ride His Bicycle by Oliver Carbonell

Ready To Ride by Sebastian Pelon Reading Age 3-7 years

Ted's Bike Ride by Tom Hart

The Bike Lesson: Another Adventure of the Berenstain Bears by Jan and Stan Berenstain EYFS / KS1

The Dinosaur Who Couldn't Ride a Bike by Sarah Campbell

The Mice Riders and The Roque Rats by Nancy Chambers Reading Age 2-8 years



Walking

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way To School Davide by Cail Reading Age 5-8 years

A Walk in London by Salvatore Rubbino Reading age 5 -7 years

A Wild Walk To School by Rebecca Cobb Reading age 3+

Be More Dog by Caroline Crewe Reading age 3-7

Elmers Walk by David Mckee

I Took the Moon for a Walk by Carolyn Curtis

I went Walking by Sue Williams

Mayas Walk by Moira Butterfield Reading age 3+

Off To The Park by Stephen Cheetham Reading age 0-5 years

Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins

Ruby's School Walk by Kathryn White Reading Age – 2-6 years

The Woodland Trust A Walk in the Woods by Flora Martyn Reading age 2-6 years

Walking Through the Jungle by Julie Lacome

We're going on a bear hunt by Micheal Rosen and Helen Oxenbury



Scooting

Rosa Rides her scooter by Jessica Spanyol

Trains

The Train Ride by June Crebbin Reading age 2-4 years



Infant School

Cycling

Along a long road by Frank Viva

Bear's Bicycle by Emilie Warren McLeod Reading Age – 5-6 years

Bike On, Bear! By Cynthea Liu Reading Age 4 – 7 years

Born to Ride: A story about Bicycle Face by Larissa Theule

Curious George Rides a Bike by H. A. Rey Reading Age 2-6 years

Cycle City by Alison Farrell Reading age 3-5 years

Cycling In Summer Joseph Coelho (Wandle Learning Trust) Reading Age – 6-7 years

Eric's Big Day - A bicycle race unlike any other by Rod Waters

Everyone can learn to ride a bicycle by Chris Raschka Reading Age 4-8 years

Flying Fergus (8 titles) by Chris Hoy

Franklin Rides a Bike by Paulette Bourgeois Reading Age 3-8 years

Franklin's Bicycle Helmet by Paulette Bourgeois Age 5-6 years

Froggy Rides a Bike by Jonathan London Reading Age – 5-6 years

Get on your Bike by Jourke Akveld

Gracie Goat Big Bike Race by Erin Mirabella

Hippo Rides A Bike by Sue Graves Reading Age 3-5 years

His Finest Hour by David Neuhaus

I Love My Bike by Simon Mole Reading age 4-7 years

If This Street Were Mine by Peter Fussy Reading Age 4-8 years

If you give a girl a bike by Hayley Diep

Little Red Riding Hood - A Newfangled Prairie Tale by Lisa Campbell Reading Age – 4-8 years

Magic Bicycle by Brian Patten Reading age – 4-8 years

Marta and the Bicycle by Germano Zullo Reading Age -5-6 years

My Giraffe Rides a Unicycle: A Collection of Children's Poems – Catherine Valente Reading Age – 2-8 years

On Your Bike: All you need to know about cycling for kids by Chris Hoy

Ready To Ride by Sebastian Pelon Reading Age 3-7 years

Sally Jean, the Bicycle Queen by Cari Best Reading Age – 5-6 years

Skid, Slide, Ride by Samantha Montgomerie (Red Squirrel phonics) reading Age 4-7 years

The Best Bike Ride Ever by James Proimos and Johanna Wright Reading Age 5 -6

The Bicycle by Lucas Arnoldson Reading age 5-12 years

The Jolly Postman by Janet and Allen Ahlberg

The Mice Riders and The Roque Rats by Nacy Chambers Reading Age 2-8 years

Tillie the Terrible Swede: How one woman, a sewing needle and bicycle change history by Sue Stauffacher

Two Wheels David Gibb Reading Age – 3 -7 years



Walking

4 -7 years

A Wild Walk To School by Rebecca Cobb Reading age 3+

Be More Dog by Caroline Crewe Reading age 3-7

Gabe and the Bike: Enjoy a Minuteman Bikeway Adventure by Rochelle O'Neal Thorpe

I Love My Bike by Simon Mole Reading Age 4 -7 years

Lyle, Lyle Crocodile: Lyle Walks the Dogs by Bernard Waber reading Age

Mayas Walk by Moira Butterfield Reading age 3+

Mike and the Bike by Michael Ward – Reading Age 5-6 years

Off To The Park by Stephen Cheetham Reading age 0 - 5 years

The Listening Walk by Paul Showers Reading Age – 4-8 years

The Woodland Trust A Walk in the Woods by Flora Martyn Reading age 2-6 years

Tisha and the Blossom by Wendy Meddour Reading Age – 5+years

We're going on a bear hunt by Micheal Rosen and Helen Oxenbury



Scooting

Scoot by Katie Blackburn Reading Age 4-8 years

General

Old Enough to Save the Planet by Loll Kirby Reading age 4-7 years



Junior School

Cycling

Dream to Win: Bradley Wiggins by Roy Apps reading age – 9-11 years
Hero On a Bicycle by Shirley Hughes reading age – 10+
Knights and Bikes by Gabrielle Kent Reading age – 7+
Major Taylor: World Cycling Champion by Charles R Smith Reading Age – 7-10 years
Princess BMX by Marie Basting Reading Age -7-9 years
The Adventures of a Girl Called Bicycle by Christina Uss Reading age – 8-12 years
The Adventures of Thandie The Tandem by Claire Le Block
The Bicycle by Lucas Arnoldson Reading age 5-12 years
The Brave Cyclist by Amalia Hoffman reading age – 9-12 years
The Young Cyclist's Companion by Peter Drinkell Reading Age – 9-12 years



Walking

100 Great Walks With Kids: Fantastic Stomps Around Great Britain by Jen Benson
101 Things To Do On A Walk by Kate Eaton - reading age 9-12 years
A Year of Nature Walks and Games by Becky Goddard-Hill by Collins Kids - reading age 6-9 years
Running On The Roof Of The World by Jess Butterworth - reading age 9-12 years
Two Left Feet by Jenny Sullivan - reading age 7 years up

Scooting

Scooter and His Scoot Scoot (featuring character living with physical disability) by Annie Streit - reading age 7-9 years



General

Mind Fuel for Young Explorers by Bear Grylls, Will Van Der Hart reading age – 9-12 years
National Trust Out and About Explorer books by Robyn Swift Reading ages – 7-9 years
National Trust: 50 Things to do before you're 11 ¾ by Sandra de la Prada Reading age 6-9 years
The Extraordinary Book That Eats Itself by Susan Hayes, Penny Arlon Reading age – 6-9 years
The Ordnance Survey Kids' Adventure Book by Ordnance Survey Leisure Limited Reading age – 8-11 years



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Off To The Park by Stephen Cheetham Reading age 0-5 years

Scooter and His Scoot Scoot (featuring character living with physical disability) -Annie Streit Reading Age 7-9 years

Secondary School



Hero On a Bicycle by Shirley Hughes reading age – 10+

Hero On A Bicycle by Shirley Hughes Reading Age 10-13 years

Mind Fuel for Young Explorers by Bear Grylls, Will Van Der Hart reading age – 9-12 years

Running On the Roof Of The World Jess Butterworth – Reading Age - 9-12 Years

The Adventures of a Girl Called Bicycle by Christina Uss Reading age – 8-12 years

The Boy who Biked the World Part 1 On the Road to Africa Part 2 Riding the Americas Riding Home Through Asia – Alistair Humphreys

The Brave Cyclist by Amalia Hoffman reading age – 9-12 years

The Salt Path by Raynor Winn Reading Age – older pupils

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce

The Young Cyclist's Companion by Peter Drinkell Reading Age – 9-12 years

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Walking the Nile by Levison Wood

