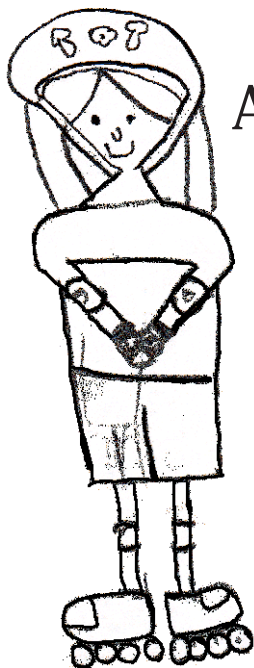
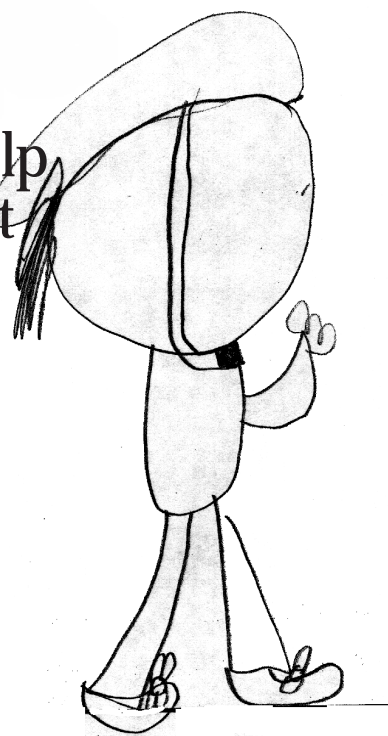
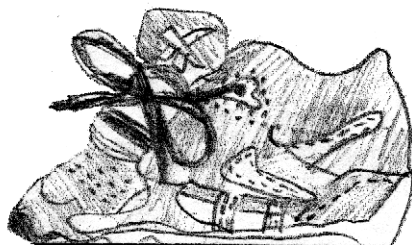




GETTING THERE



A fun activity booklet to help
you learn about important
traffic safety tips.



This book belongs to

Welcome to a unique book for children ages 7-9 on traffic safety issues. These pages address safe practices for people travelling by foot, bike, in-line skates, bus and car. Traffic safety is an important element of the New York State school syllabus and these materials can be used to aid teachers in the fulfillment of these requirements, or to work with any youth to learn more about traffic safety. We hope that this booklet is flexible enough for you to adapt safety messages pertinent to your community, and to be fun and educational.

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Answers to puzzles in this booklet and other resources for traffic safety curriculum development may be found in the Getting There Guide for Grown-ups, publication #RWB-1-S99a.

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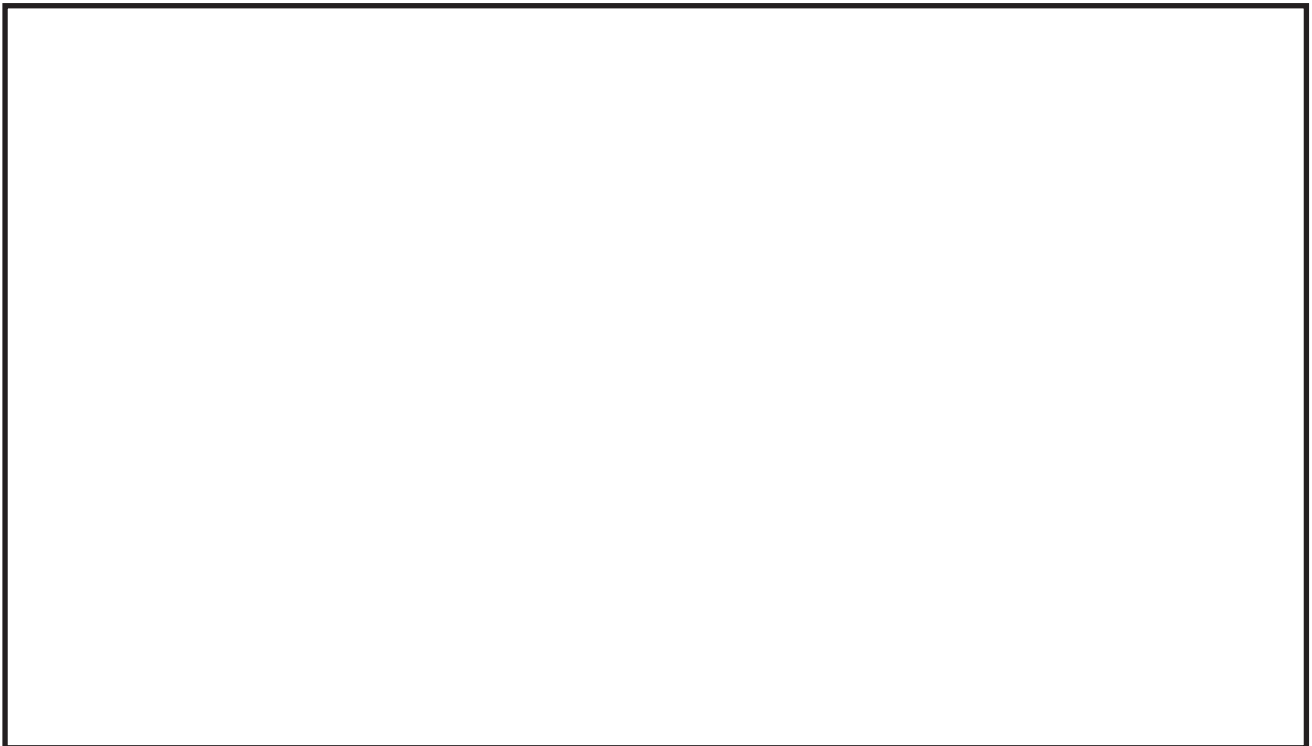
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**Draw a picture of
your foot.**



**Draw your footprint (the track
that your foot leaves on the
ground).**

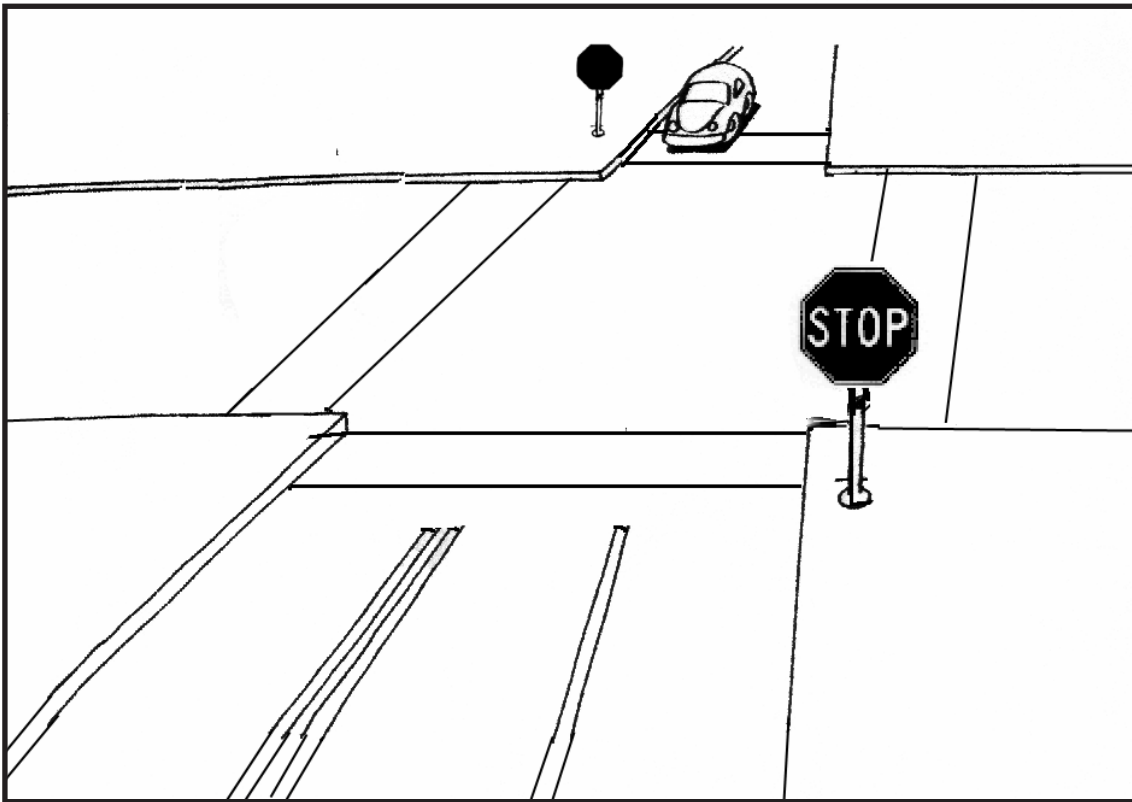


Draw a picture of a place that you walk to.

When people walk to get someplace, they are called pedestrians.

Always use a crosswalk when you cross the street.

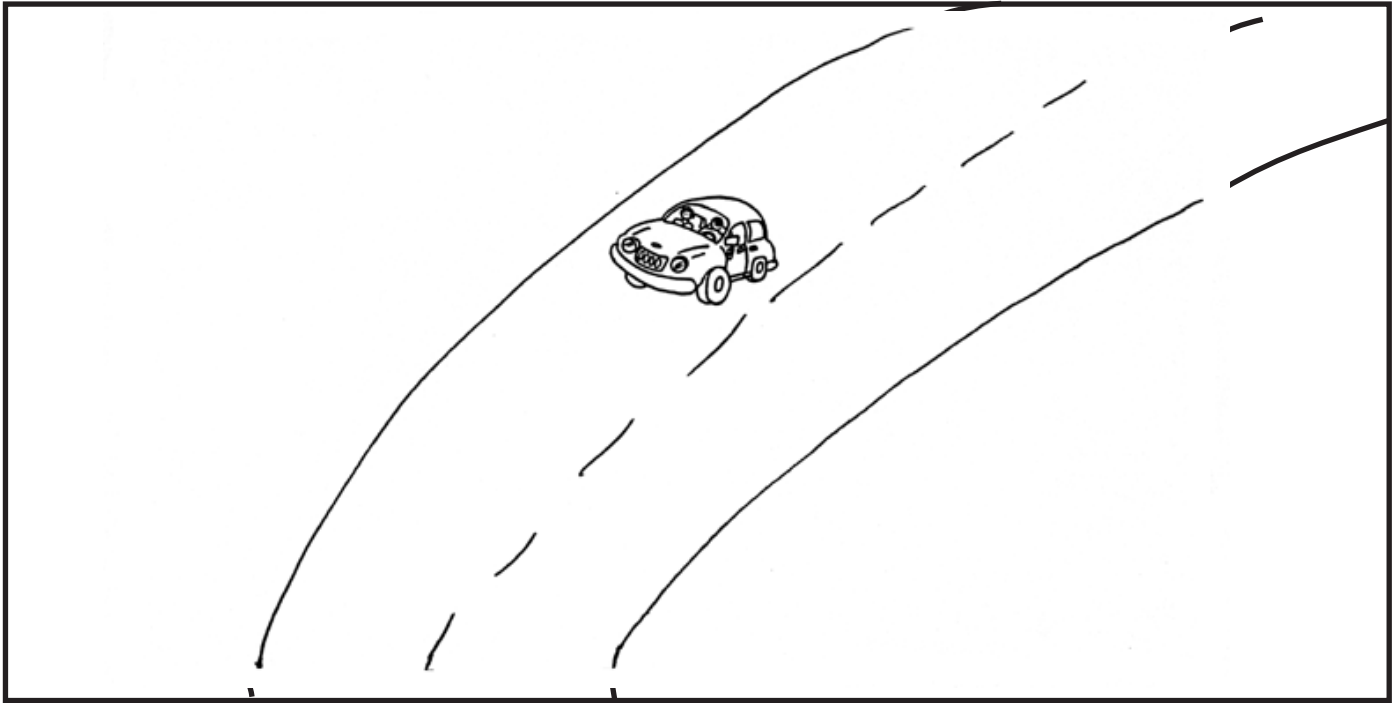
Always look left, right and then left before crossing a street.



Draw footprints or place X's on the crosswalk to show where you should cross the street.

You should always walk on a sidewalk if there is one.

If there is no sidewalk, walk on the left side of the road, facing traffic.



Draw footprints or an arrow on this road without a sidewalk to show where you should be walking.

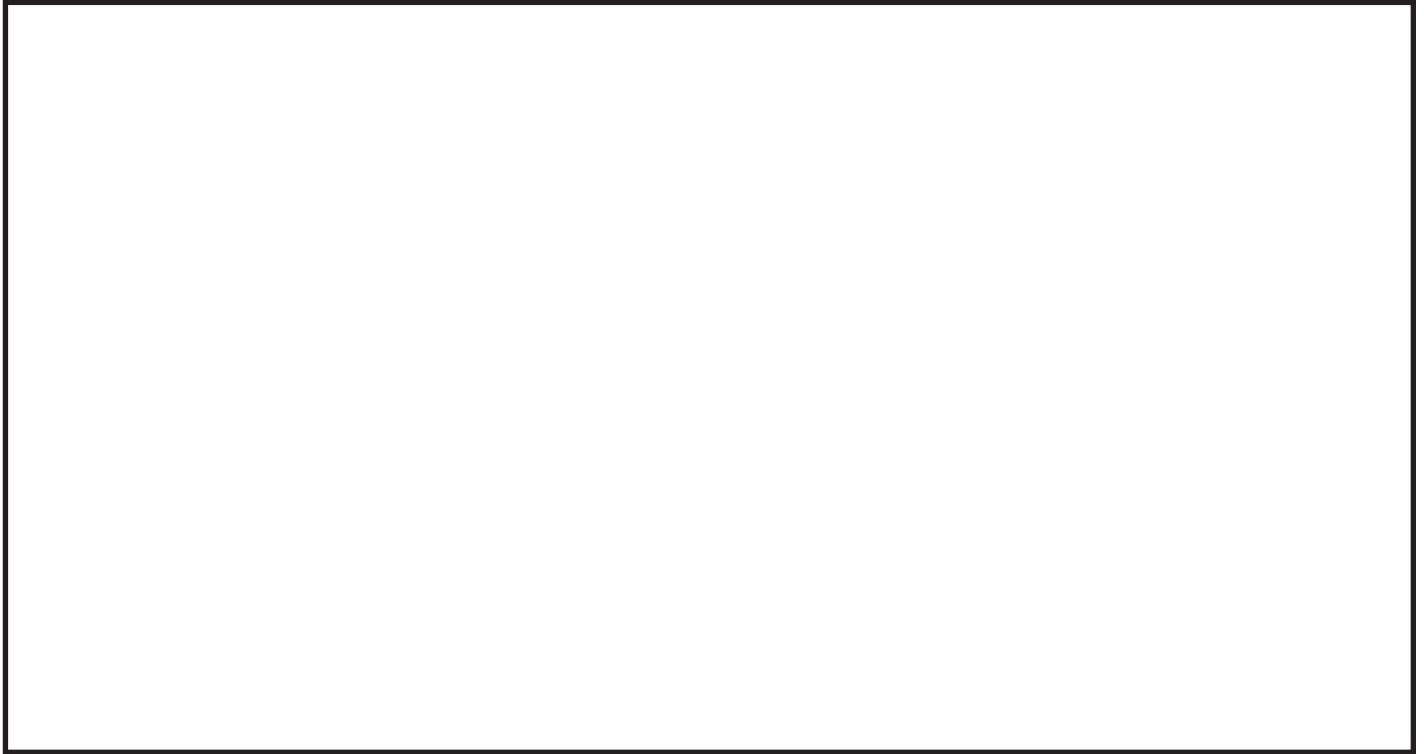


People who walk to get someplace are called:



Draw the track that a bicycle tire makes.

People who ride bicycles are called bicyclists.



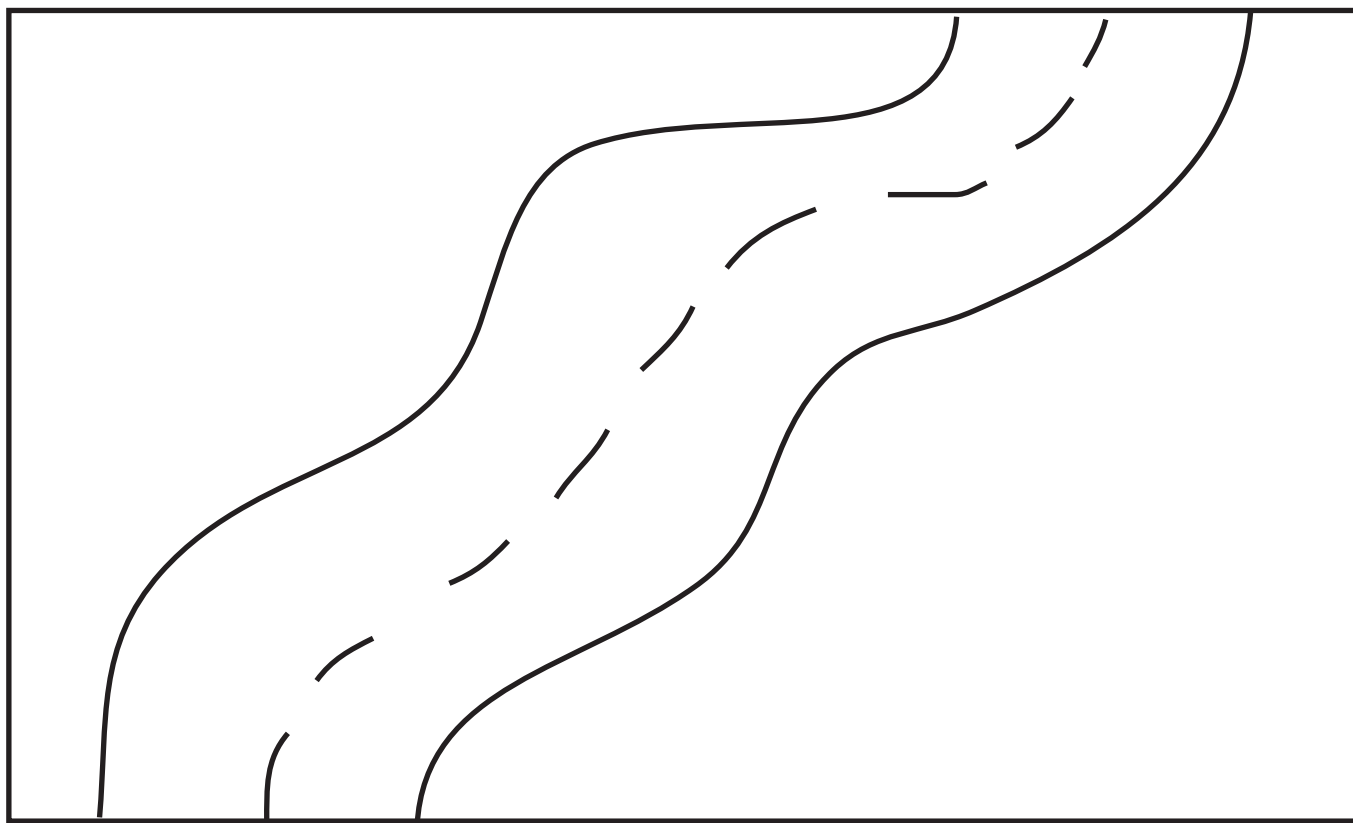
**Draw or write about a place that
would be fun to visit by bike.**



Bicyclists must
always follow
the rules of the
road and street
signs.

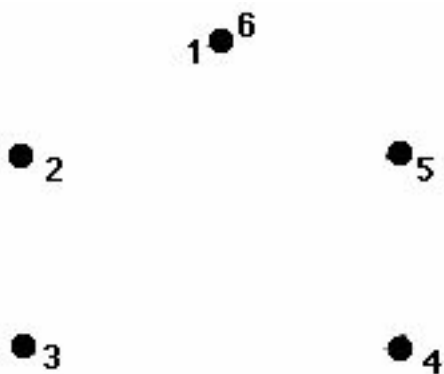
**Traffic signs have special
shapes that tell us what
they mean.**

Bicyclists should always drive on the right hand side of the street, just like cars.



**Draw an arrow to show the correct direction
on this street for bicycles to drive.**

**Connect the dots to make this traffic sign.
What does this sign mean?**



Hazards are things that could be dangerous on the road. There are lots of them to look out for when you are bicycling.

Put a V on the line in front of those things that would block your VISION, or would block the vision of a motorist so that she could not see you.

Put an M on the line in front of those things that could MOVE into your path and could hurt you.

Put an S on the line in front of those things that are on the SURFACE of the road that could cause you to fall.

There is more than one right answer for some of them.

_____potholes

_____dead animals

_____mailbox

_____tree

_____trucks

_____dogs

_____cracks in the pavement

_____rolling ball

_____bushes

_____darkness

_____garbage bin

_____loose gravel

_____water puddles

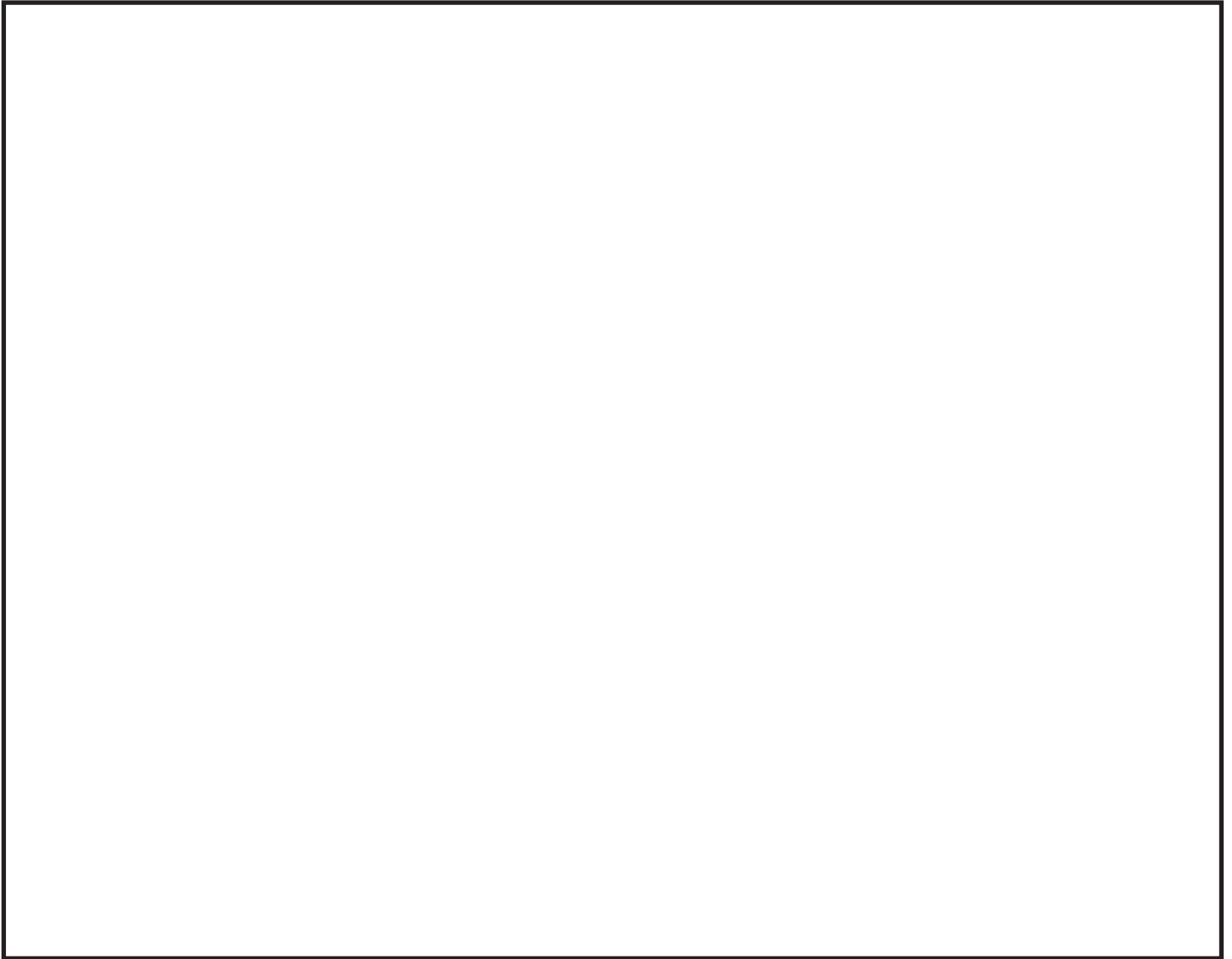
_____wet leaves

 **Circle**

the things that don't move, but would not be something you would want to run into.

Always wear reflective clothing so that others can see you. Never bike at night. Grown-ups who bike at night should use a light on their bike.

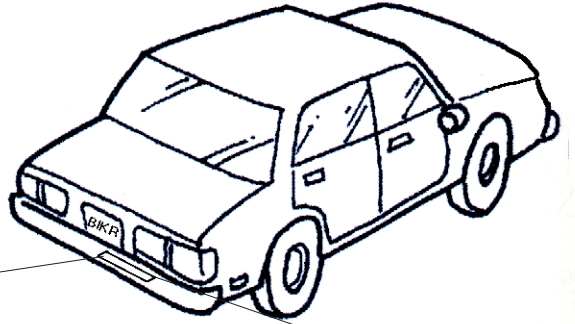
You must always wear a helmet when you bicycle or in-line skate.



Draw a picture or write a story about all the safety gear you need when you go on a bike ride or for in-line skating. Be sure to include bright clothing, a helmet, tied shoes (no dangling laces).

A person who rides a bicycle is called a:

People who ride in cars are called passengers. Drivers and passengers should always wear a seat belt.



Design a clever bumper sticker that tells people they should wear seat belts.

Learn what these words mean. You can ask a grown-up or find them in a dictionary:

transportation

predictable

reflective

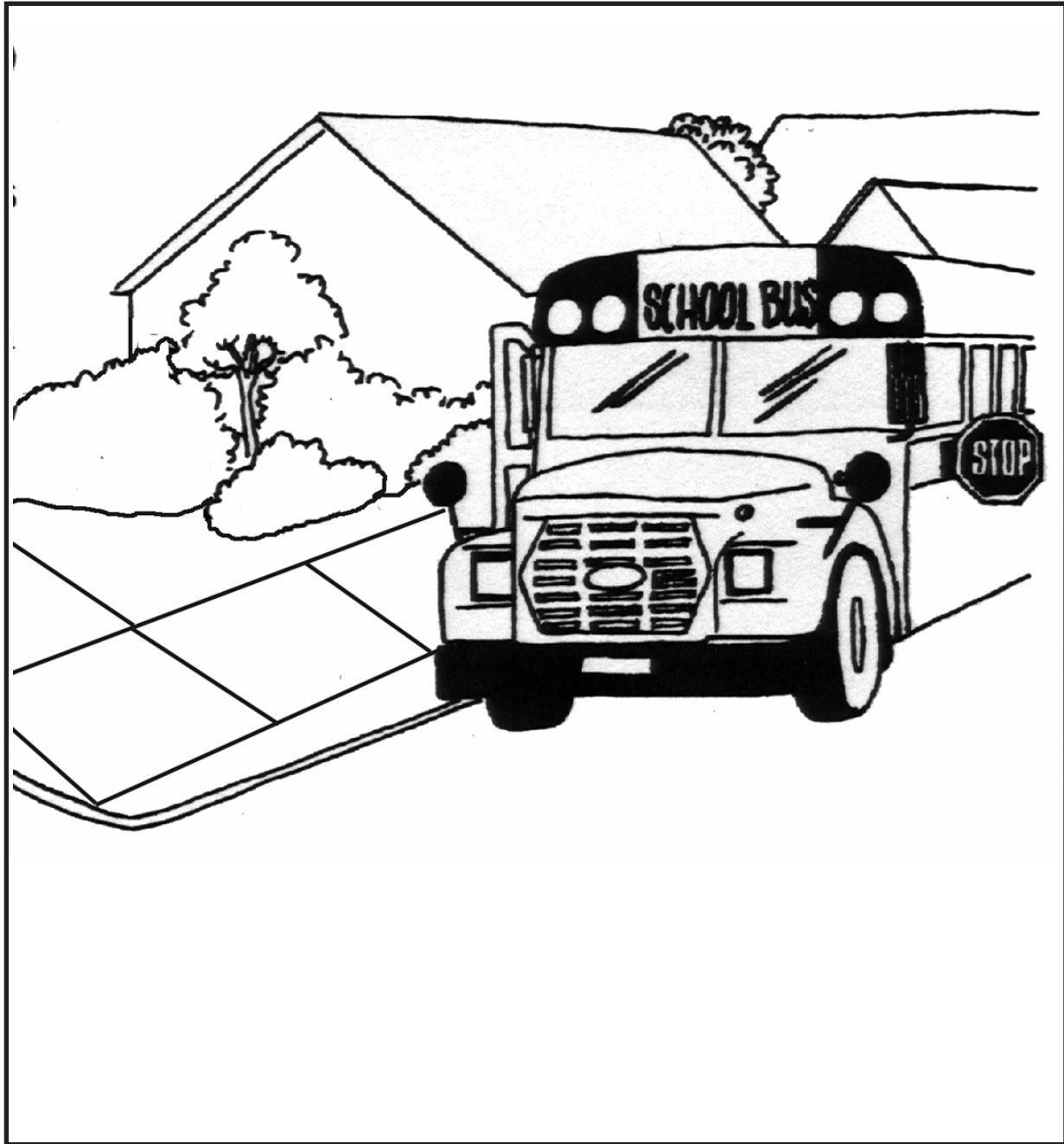
yield

obstacle

traffic

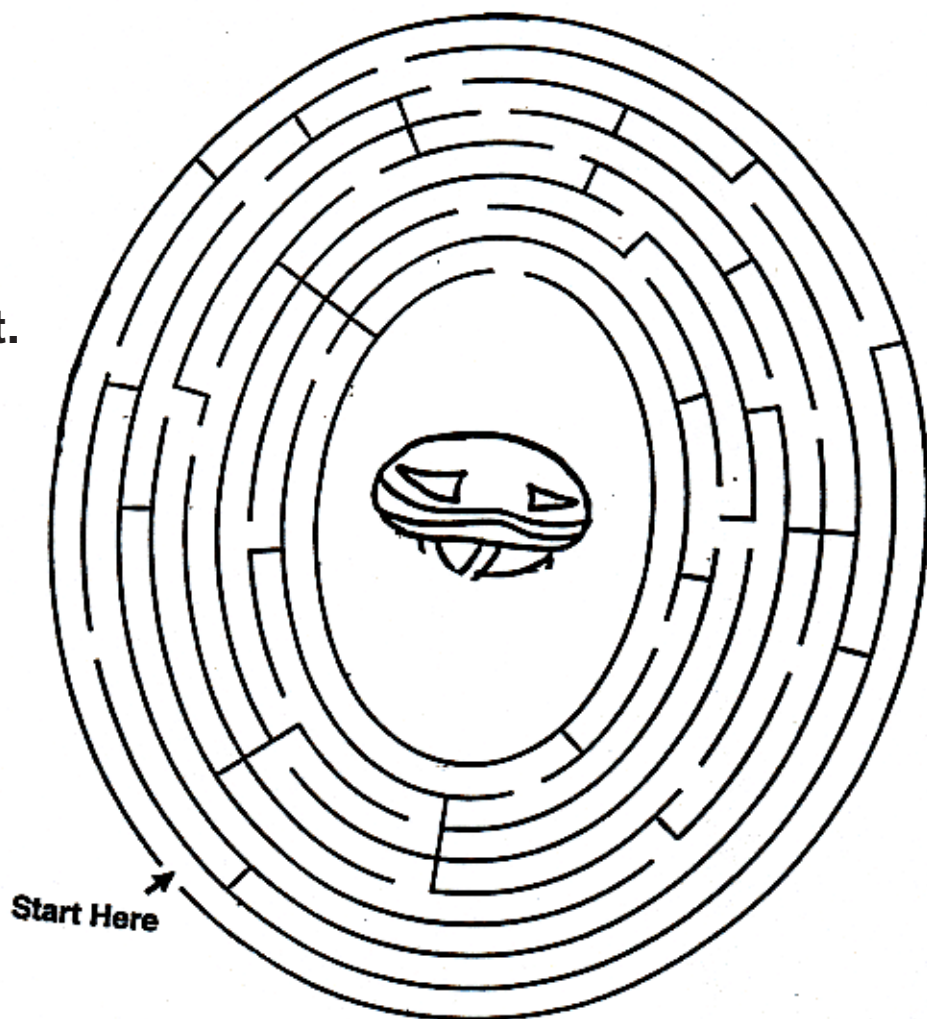
crosswalk

School buses are yellow so people can easily recognize them and be extra careful. They have flashing red lights that tell people to stop.



Draw a friend checking with the school bus driver to make sure it is safe to cross the road. Be sure they are far enough in front of the bus.

**Find your way
through the maze
to get to the helmet.**



**Pretend that
you've been
asked to design
a traffic safety
message to be
placed on a milk
carton.**

These words are all scrambled up. See how many you can unscramble.

1. wlksaide _____
2. eepdniastr _____
3. ccybitsils _____
4. temleh _____
5. tghri _____
6. sterask _____

Then complete the sentences by using these words.

1. **Walk on the** _____ if one is there.
2. Always bike on the _____ side of the street.
3. Smart in-line _____ and bicyclists always wear a helmet.
4. A _____ is someone who walks to where they want to go.
5. People who ride bikes are called _____.
6. A _____ protects your brain.

Here are some scrambled up traffic safety rules. Can you unscramble them?

1. traffic and signals. laws the Follow

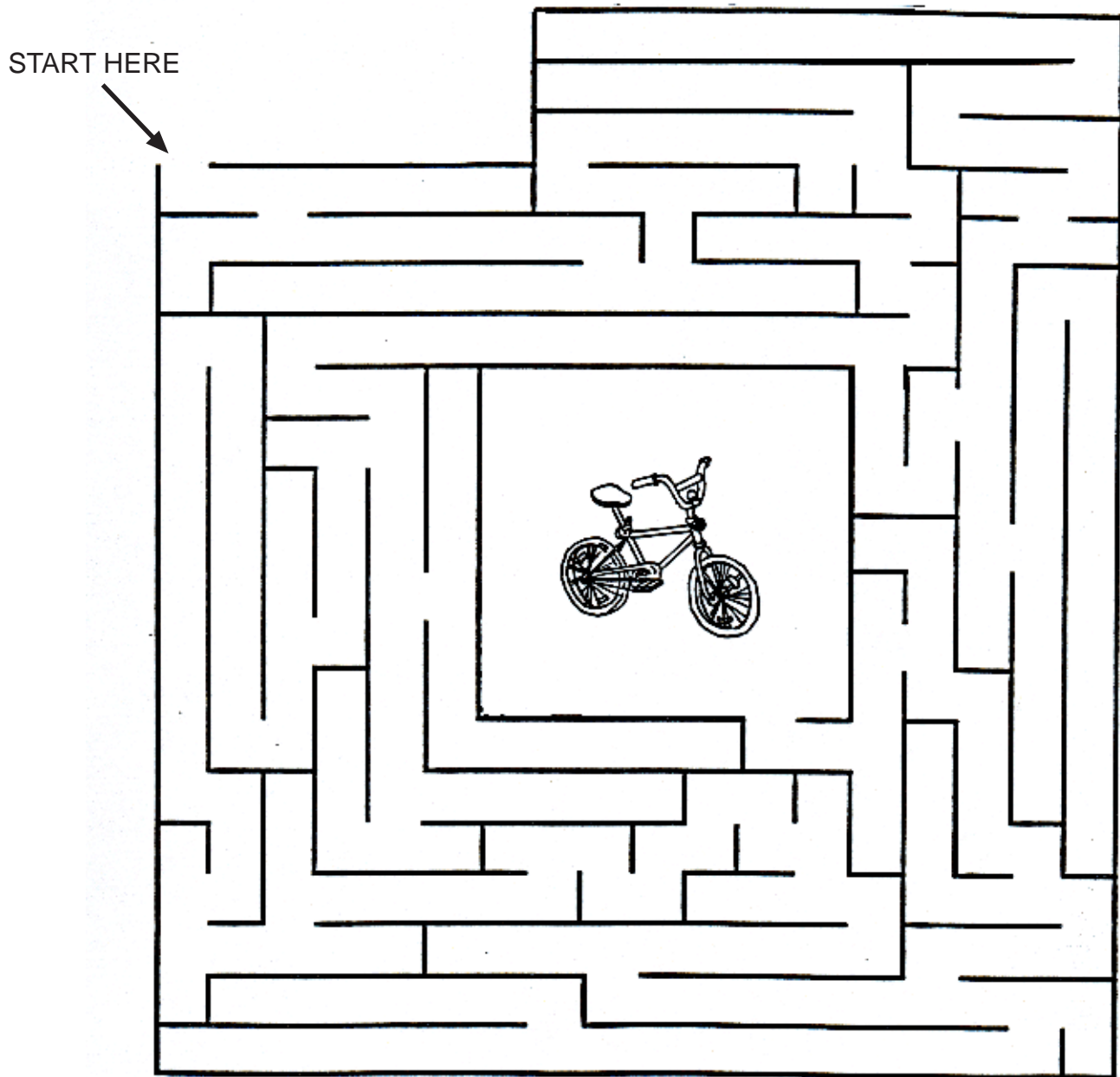
2. crosswalk walking use street. a Always the when across

3. street. crossing Look the traffic for before

4. helmet wear in-line skating. when a bicycling Always or

5. night. Don't at bike

Can you find your way through the maze to your bicycle?



Signs of Traffic

D	T	E	K	I	B
K	E	H	K	P	G
L	K	R	G	R	V
A	A	N	E	I	B
W	U	E	P	O	R
F	N	S	T	O	P

BIKE
RIGHT
RED

FUN
STOP

GREEN
WALK

Hazards

V	D	M	A	I	L	B	O	X	I	F	R
Z	D	O	M	X	O	P	Z	Y	G	A	D
K	T	U	G	P	E	I	X	S	I	C	B
Z	R	I	M	S	M	O	D	N	T	B	V
T	U	W	S	P	Q	I	S	R	Y	D	S
N	C	S	K	X	S	S	Z	D	E	T	E
A	K	Y	R	C	E	T	L	J	H	R	H
D	S	H	S	N	F	W	E	E	R	H	S
R	W	F	K	S	C	R	J	R	E	E	U
Y	C	R	L	J	V	L	I	X	T	R	B
H	A	P	U	D	D	L	E	S	V	K	T
D	E	R	R	S	E	L	O	H	T	O	P

BUSHES
RAIN
MAILBOX

DOGS
TRUCKS
PUDDLES

HYDRANT
DARKNESS
TREE

POTHOLE
DUMPSTER

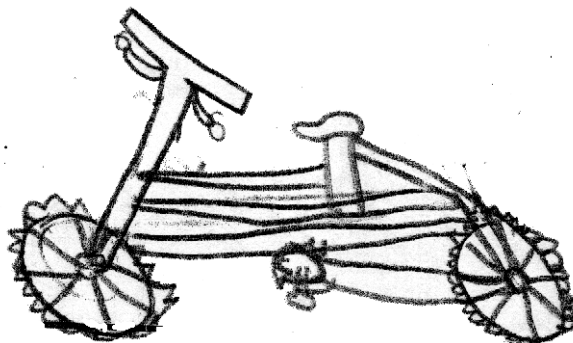
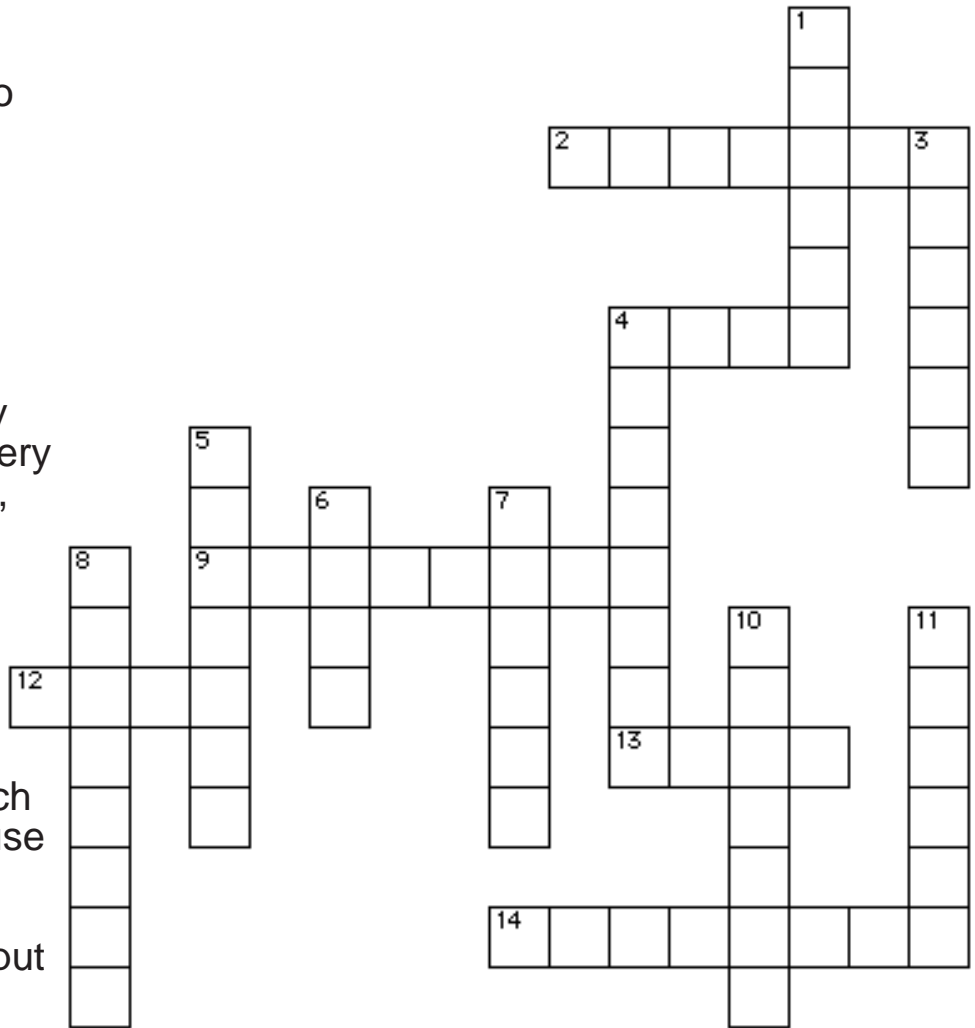
Roadway Hazards!!

ACROSS

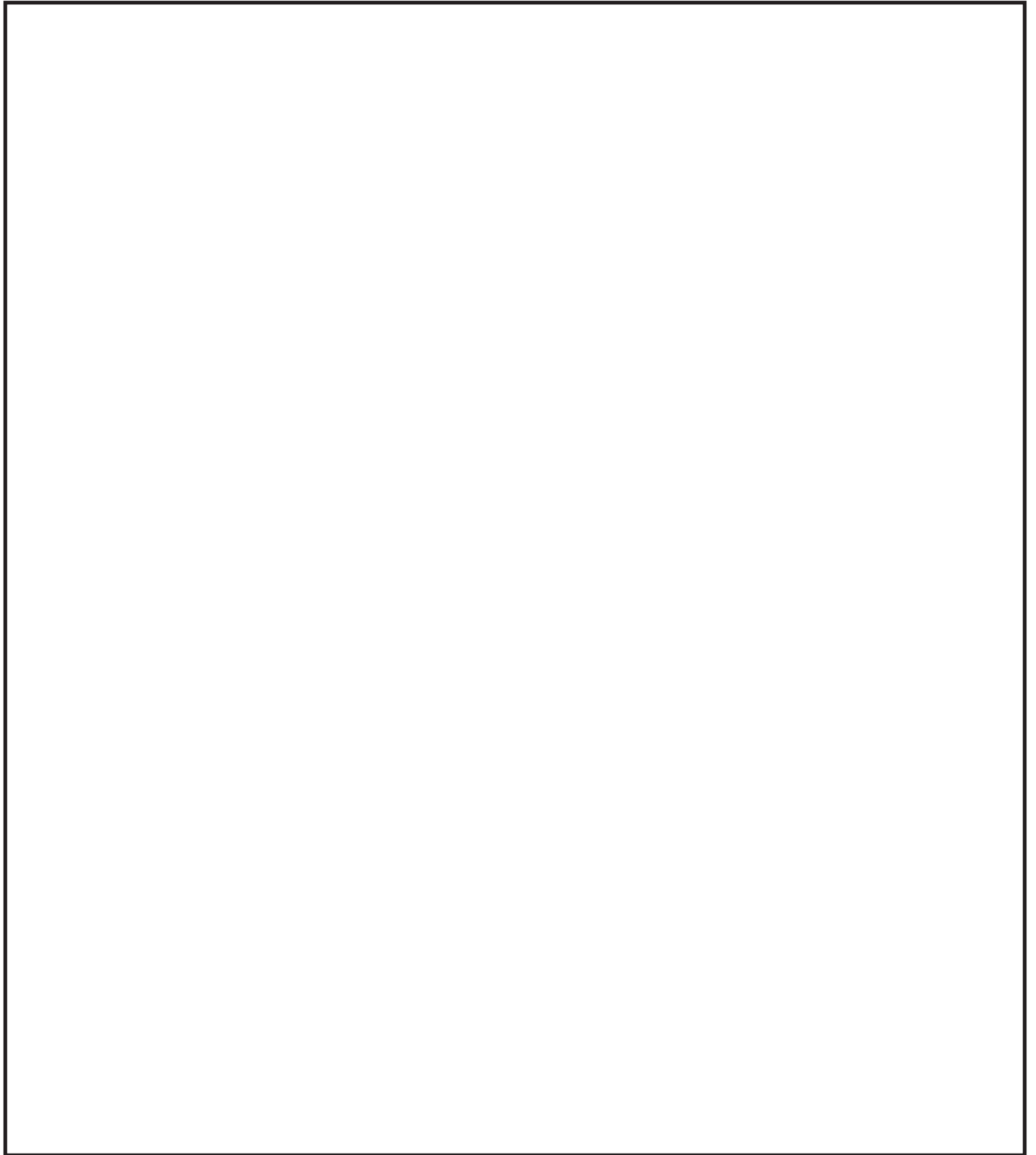
- 2 Firemen use this to get water
- 4 Sometimes they chase you
- 9 When there's no daylight
- 12 One of these that rolls into the street
- 13 Water from the sky makes roads slippery
- 14 Worse, and bigger, than a crack in the pavement

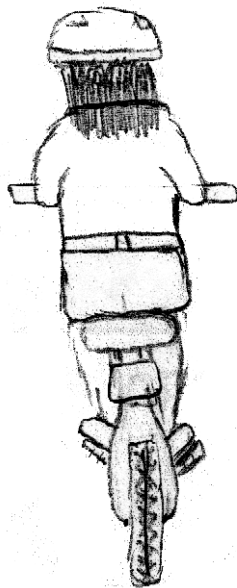
DOWN

- 1 These in the pavement can catch your tires and cause you to crash
- 3 Big, big vehicles
- 4 A big bin that you put garbage into
- 5 These often appear in the road after a rainstorm
- 6 Has leaves or needles and grows tall
- 7 From a tree, slippery when wet
- 8 Dead animals on the road
- 10 The postal carrier puts your mail in this
- 11 Plants often found next to the driveway or close to the street



Walking, skating or biking can be fun things to do with your family.
Draw a picture of you and your family or friends having fun, or
tell a story about a fun time.





me
↓

My brother
↓

Dad

Mom

Mom

