

Helping young people to behave safely and responsibly at level crossings

Activity guide for schools (8-16 years)

Young people account for the largest group involved in incidents, and fatal accidents, at level crossings on the railway.

To change this, throughout May, June and July, Network Rail is launching a national campaign to raise awareness of level crossing dangers for pedestrians.

You can help by conducting a lesson, or class discussion.

We have created short films which you can show in your school, or youth club, to get everyone thinking about how to cross a level crossing safely.

Class activity one

Watch the films at networkrail.co.uk/pedestrians and then start a class discussion about the dangers spotted in the films.

We want to hear how the people in the films could have been more safety aware, and **'bossed the crossing'**. Please ask:

1. What dangers did you see?
2. What could they have done differently?
3. What do you think happened at the end of each film?
4. What would have been a safer way to cross?
5. What are the most important things when approaching a level crossing?
(Please refer to 'Guidance on level crossing use')

Please note down the class responses, and share these with us on Twitter, using the hashtag [#BossingtheCrossing](https://twitter.com/BossingtheCrossing)

Class activity two

As a further activity, you could ask the class to create drawings, short stories or poems about how to cross a level crossing safely. This could focus on the theme **'Look, listen and live'**.

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Thank you for helping us to improve behaviour at level crossings. Together we can prevent incidents and save lives.

