

Johnson County Library's

BOOKS TO GROW

Kit Theme: **Transportation**

- Book titles included:

1. **BEAR ON A BIKE** by Stella Blackstone
2. **TWO LITTLE TRAINS** by Margaret Wise Brown
3. **HOW WILL WE GET TO THE BEACH?** by Brigitte Luciani
4. **BEEP BEEP, VROOM VROOM!** by Stuart Murphy
5. **THINGS THAT GO** by Anne Rockwell

- Video:

KIDSONGS – CARS, BOATS, TRAINS AND PLANES

- Audio:

CARS, TRUCKS AND TRAINS



Additional titles available at the Johnson County Library:

THE BUS FOR US by Suzanne Bloom

VROOMALOOM ZOOM by John Coy

FREIGHT TRAIN by Donald Crews

NEXT STOP! by Sarah Ellis

FIVE TRUCKS by Brian Floca

DOWN BY THE STATION by Will Hillenbrand

TAKE OFF! by Ryan Ann Hunter

CHUGGA-CHUGGA CHOO-CHOO by Kevin Lewis

STEAM, SMOKE, AND STEEL by Patrick O'Brien

LITTLE ENGINE THAT COULD by Watty Piper

MY RACE CAR by Michael Rex

I FLY by Anne Rockwell

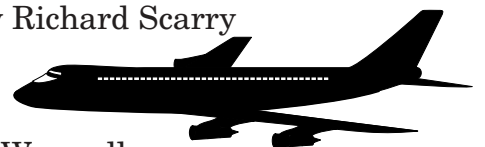
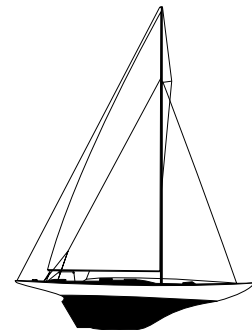
CARS AND TRUCKS AND THINGS THAT GO by Richard Scarry

DUCK ON A BIKE by David Shannon

CLICKETY CLACK by Rob and Amy Spence

PUFF-PUFF, CHUGGA-CHUGGA by Christopher Wormell

TRAIN SONG by Harriet Ziefert



Activity Ideas – Transportation

- After reading **TWO LITTLE TRAINS**, provide children with a long rope or string to which they all hold. They can take turns being the engine, coal car, box car or caboose.
- Talk about and find pictures of things that travel on the ground, in the air or on the water.
- Help children recognize and identify traffic safety signs: stop-sign, railroad crossing, pedestrian crossing, etc.
- Out in the yard, children can chant this rhyme as they turn in a circle faster and faster:

Motor boat motor boat, go so slow,
Motor boat motor boat, go so fast,
Motor boat motor boat, step on the gas.

I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THE RAILROAD

I've been working on the railroad,
All the live-long day.
I've been working on the railroad,
Just to pass the time away.
Can't you hear the whistle blowing?
Rise up so early in the morn.
Can't you hear the captain shouting –
Dinah blow your horn.
(Traditional)

CHOO CHOO TRAIN

This is a choo choo train (*Bend arms at elbows.*)
Puffing down the track. (*Rotate forearms in rhythm.*)
Now it's going forward, (*Push arms forward;*
continue rotating motion.)
Now it's going back. (*Rotate arms backward.*)
Now the bell is ringing, (*Pull bell cord with closed fist.*)
Now the whistle blows, (*Hold fist near mouth and blow.*)
What a lot of noise it makes. (*Cover ears with hands.*)
Everywhere it goes.
(From *Finger Frolics*)

DOWN BY THE STATION

Down by the station
Early in the morning,
See the puffer bellies,
All in a row.
Turn the little handle,
Puff puff, choo choo,
Off they go.
(From *Let's Do Fingerplays*)

JITTERY JIM

There's room in the bus
For the two of us,
But not for Jittery Jim.
He has a train
And a rocket plane,
He has a seal
That can bark and swim,
And a centipede
With wiggly legs,
And an ostrich
Sitting on ostrich eggs,
And crawfish
Floating in oily kegs!
There's room in the bus
For the two of us,
But we'll shut the door on him!
(From William Jay Smith's
Laughing Time)



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