Things That Go

Whether looking out the window at home, or riding in a stroller or car seat, growing babies see vehicles all around them. Talk to them about what you see! Playing together with toy vehicles of all kinds helps baby develop muscle control and learn about the community.

Ideas & Tips

• Traveling with baby is a great time to practice songs, rhymes, and fingerplays. Use what you’ve learned in Library Storytimes and from the free booklet, “Wiggles, Tickles and Rhymes.” (piercecountylibrary.org/kids-teens/parents-caregivers/wiggles-tickles-rhymes.htm)
• Point out bicycles, scooters and motorcycles.
• Name the colors of the vehicles you see. How many wheels do they have?
• As baby grows, identify the vehicles that community helpers use: fire trucks, postal vehicles, recycling trucks, and more.
• Teach your growing child about vehicle safety when you’re at a park or taking a walk. Point out the different places that vehicles can travel, and safe places for people to walk and play.

More Books

• Maisy’s Train by Lucy Cousins
• The Mixed-Up Truck by Stephen Savage
• My Bike by Byron Barton
• On the Go: a High Contrast Board Book by Roger Priddy
• Vroom! Kevin’s Big Book of Vehicles by Liesbet Slegers

Rhyming Fun

The Wheels on the Bus

The wheels on the bus
Go round and round,
Round and round.
The wheels on the bus
Go round and round,
All through the town.

Note: This lively action song has many verses to sing! Check at the Library for children’s books and CDs that feature this classic song.