## **Transport**

## **Topic Hook Wow Ideas**



Teddy arrives in the classroom with an empty suitcase and a <u>Letter</u> for teddy from his aunty. Aunty would like teddy to come and visit. Aunty gives teddy a list of things he will need to do before he comes, including getting his passport, buying a boarding pass, checking the weather and packing accordingly, and looking into places he would like to visit.

Ask the children to bring in their bikes and scooters for the day. In the outside area, set up a bike repair station, with role-play mechanic toys. You can also set up a bike and scooter hand wash area, where children can enjoy using sponges and bubbles to make their bikes and scooters sparkle. Set up the classroom with rows of chairs, so that it looks like the inside of an airplane. As the children arrive at school, they can be given a boarding pass that they can hand over to a member of cabin crew. The children can enjoy some in-flight entertainment as well as enjoying some inflight snacks and drinks. You may find this editable Airport Day Letter useful.

Set up a role-play ship in the classroom by creating a large boat out of cardboard and a sheet for a sail. Where can they travel to on their ship?

Set up a scene in the outside area that resembles a hot-air balloon landing site. This can be done with a large basket, some rope and a parachute. Allow the children to explore the site and discover a character that has landed in the basket. Who are they? Where have they come from? Where were they going?

Take the children on a walk around the local area to see what different types of transport they can see. Record the children's findings using a digital camera.

A small toy bus arrives in the classroom with A Postcard from a Bus explaining that he likes to travel and go on exciting journeys. Have the children ever been on a bus? Where would they like to go on a bus? If possible, arrange to take the children on a short bus journey.

The class receive <u>A Postcard from an Explorer</u>. The explorer has travelled the world and used many types of transport to reach some exciting places. He also sends some transport photographs and perhaps some small vehicles for the children to explore.



