

Grade 8 Life Orientation Worksheet

Safety at home and on the road


Activity 1: Questions on health and safety at home and on the road

1. What type of issues would be considered a potential health or safety hazard in a home? [5]
2. Do you have any potentially hazardous situations in your own home? [3]
3. Why do you think it is important to have road safety rules and regulations, including traffic signs? [3]
4. As a pedestrian, do you automatically have right of way when a traffic light changes to green (and you are going in the direction of the green traffic light)? Explain your answer. [3]
5. What should you always do before crossing a road? [1]

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Activity 2: Match the sign to the wording

Look at these traffic signs. Do you know what they all mean? Match the correct picture with the corresponding name below. Write the picture number next to the name in the space provided. See example provided in the first block.

1 	2 	3 	4 
5 	6 	7 	8 
9 	10 	11 	12 
13 	14 	15 	16 

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Stop Sign	1	Pedestrian Robot		Yield to Pedestrians Sign	
No Entry Sign		Pedestrians Only		Disabled Persons Vehicle Parking Reservation	
Police		Stopping Prohibited		Parking Prohibited	
Traffic Signal Ahead		Yield Sign		Pedestrians Sign	
Pedestrians Prohibited		Pedestrian Crossing sign			
Children Sign		Cyclists Sign			

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Suggested Solutions

Activity 1

Question number	Possible marks	Solution
1	5	Open or exposed electrical wires, pool without a safety net, chemicals not packed away safely, medicines not packed away safely and out of reach of children, guns or other weapons not kept in a safe and secure place, allowing very young children to cook at the stove unsupervised, etc.
2	3	Own answer.
3	3	Own answer.
4	3	No, you should always wait for the green man on the traffic light to indicate that it is safe to cross. Sometimes the traffic light might turn green, but it is first intended to give vehicles that are turning left or right an opportunity to go before pedestrians start walking.
5	1	Look right, left and right again (even if you have right of way).

Total marks [15]

Activity 2

Stop Sign	1	Pedestrian Robot	10	Yield to Pedestrians Sign	4
No Entry Sign	3	Pedestrians Only	6	Disabled Persons Vehicle Parking Reservation	11
Police	13	Stopping Prohibited	5	Parking Prohibited	7
Traffic Signal Ahead	9	Yield Sign	2	Pedestrians Sign	14
Pedestrians Prohibited	8	Pedestrian Crossing sign	16		
Children Sign	15	Cyclists Sign	12		

Total marks: [20]