

ANSWERS Module 1 Activity 2: Making Your Community Safer

Student Name: _____

Group Name: _____

Use maps of the local area to pinpoint 'unsafe' areas and design ways to make this area safer.

Some ideas to think about are:

- Making sure places to stop to cross the road are clear and visibility is good for both pedestrians and cars.
- Blind corners where people may ride their bikes around and not see pedestrians.
- Places without footpaths or places pedestrians have to walk on the roads.
- Visibility at night for both pedestrians, bike riders and cars.

Use Google Earth to get a closer look at areas if needed.

Hazard Identification

Identify 3 hazards that are unsafe in the area you have chosen.

1. NO PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS
2. FOOTBALL/SOCCER/NETBALL COURTS ETC. NEAR A ROAD
3. NO BIKE LANE OR FOOTPATH

Why are they unsafe?

1. PEOPLE RUN ACROSS THE ROAD BETWEEN CARS
2. CARS GOING TOO FAST, DANGEROUS AT NIGHT AFTER PRACTICE, HARD TO SEE
3. LOTS OF KIDS RIDE ON THE ROAD WHERE THERE ARE LOTS OF TRUCKS

What potential disaster could occur?

1. A CRASH HAPPENS
2. A PEDESTRIAN IS HIT BY A CAR
3. A BIKE RIDER IS HIT BY A CAR

List some ways that the disaster could be avoided.

1. WALK FURTHER TO A SAFE CROSSING I.E TRAFFIC LIGHTS
2. WEAR BRIGHT COLOURS OR REFLECTIVE CLOTHING TO BE MORE VISIBLE
3. ASK FOR A FOOTPATH OR BIKE LANE TO BE BUILT TO SAFELY RIDE BIKES

You may want to write a letter to your local council to ask for improvements. What would you ask for?

1. A PEDESTRIAN CROSSING TO BE BUILT AT THE LOCATION
2. TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT AND PUT IN MORE STREET SIGNS
3. A BIKE LANE AND FOOTPATH TO BE BUILT ON THIS ROAD