

# Public Transport Map Activity

When we think about sustainable transport choices, we usually think of biking or walking, but choosing public transport is another way we can reduce the impact of travelling.

For this activity, you will need a map of your city or town's public transport routes. This can include busses, subways, trams, ferries or trains, and you can change destinations if these are not relevant to the area you live in.

Study the map and plot out how you would travel to the following places. You can either write out instructions or trace your journey on a map. Of course not all examples are suitable for all villages/towns/cities in Scotland, so to feel free to adapt or change destinations.

What do you notice about your plotted journeys? Is it easy to travel by public transport? What improvements could be made?

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- 1. Visiting Relatives:** You'd like to visit your relative who lives in the next nearest town to yours. Plot a route that first takes you somewhere you can buy biscuits to take with you, then takes you to their town.
- 2. Post a letter:** You'd like to post a letter to a friend in Canada. Plot a route that takes you to the nearest Post Office.
- 3. Go for a swim:** It's hot out so you'd like to go swimming. Plot a route that takes you to a swimming pool or beach so you can cool off.
- 4. Bake a cake:** It's your friend's birthday and you need ingredients to bake them a cake. Plot a route that takes you to a grocery shop where you can buy some ingredients.
- 5. Go on holiday:** You've got tickets to Spain, so pack your bags and plot a route that takes you to the closest international airport.
- 6. Busy day:** Today you have a dentist's appointment, and you need to return a book to the library. Plot a route that takes you first to a dentist's office and then to the nearest library.