

 **TRAVEL: Transport Networks****Activity 1**

Keep a diary of all the different modes of transport that you use in a week, whether this is travelling by car, using public transport, walking, skateboarding or rollerblading. At the end of the week review what you have noted and work out the cost and distances travelled.

Discuss as a class what journeys would be possible using different modes of transport.

Activity 2

Discuss as a class the transport networks in your local area. Then research what the transport networks were like in your area fifty years ago. Compare and contrast how these have changed and why.

Activity 3

Imagine that the roads in your neighbourhood have become heavily congested. To ease this congestion your local council has decided to build a new road. This would spread the traffic between two routes. In order to do so, a local park would be destroyed.

Consider the advantages (such as decreased journey times) but also the disadvantages (such as the damage to the environment). Write a letter to your local council expressing your viewpoint on their proposed plans.

Activity 4

Reflect on your everyday journey to school, and the congestion that you encounter on the way. For one day, estimate how long you spent in traffic and compare this with the others in your class.