



Big Pedal 2021

Amazing global journeys



Objectives

To explore places far away from the students' homes.

To develop empathy and global awareness by thinking about children who have to make perilous journeys to school.

To encourage imagination, creativity and develop video-making skills by asking students to film a make-believe adventurous journey of their own, without leaving the house (or classroom).

Session plan

Use the links below to learn about some amazing school journeys taken by children around the globe. Ask students to pick one of the journeys, or imagine their own amazing journey, to recreate indoors.

They can choose how to do this – setting up and acting out a scene, drawing a cartoon, creating a stop motion animation, or simply imagining their journey and being interviewed about it.

Encourage students to make a 'storyboard' of the short piece before starting to record it. When students are creating a storyboard, ask them to think about how they could create a mountain scene, desert, or ocean.

At home adaptation: The recording could be done at home or at school. If students don't have access to recording devices, they can draw up story boards, with the option to act it out.

Useful links:

Learn about some of the amazing journeys taken by children across the world:

www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/22015415

www.youtube.com/watch?v=5qo8ikbUXaU (2 mins)

www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzpT_MFcWU0 (11 mins)

www.youtube.com/watch?v=EEJpkEctSEA (50 mins)

Watch our Schools Officer's example of an amazing journey here:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=MSYR77ou2M4

Take inspiration from this amazing journey filmed at home:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=HrIVWziJ0Y

Here is a guide to creating your own stop-motion animation:

www.instructables.com/Make-A-Stop-Motion-Animation-For-Beginners

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Time needed

90 mins



Resources needed

Smart phone or other video recording device

Props

Paper, pencil, pens



Solo/Group activity

Solo or pairs

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Worksheet



Instructions

Children around the world make epic journeys to school every day. Some children have to climb over mountains or cross dangerous, rushing rivers.

Have a look at the Newsround article or video clip below which shows some of the extreme journeys children make.

Use props or stop animation to create your own amazing journey indoors.

Invent your own adventure or recreate one of these incredible journeys indoors (and safely!)

You could create a scene using props and other things at your disposal. If you are doing this at home, ask your parent or carer to help you film. Have fun and stay safe. Remember to check your ideas with your adult.

Links

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Stop animation guide:

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