

Vehicle Rubbing Plates

Teacher's Guide

Our rubbing plates are designed to integrate art into the curriculum. The striking images are designed to allow students to explore vehicles in different environments: underwater, on the sea, in the sky, on land, and in outer space. Use the images as rubbing plates, and encourage language development by asking students questions about each one: What is the vehicle called? Who operates it? Where is it going? What sounds does it make?

Make your own vehicle art! Lay a sheet of paper over a plate and lightly rub with the side of a crayon. Once you have the outline, trace the elements with darker crayons and use crayons or markers to add colors and details! Add graphic elements to the background—clouds in the sky, flowers along the road, other people and vehicles.

On the back of your artwork, develop vocabulary by writing the name of the vehicle and adding some details. Write a short story or poem.

Use the cards for circle time projects. Work with groups of children and hold up one card. Play "Tell Me A Story!" Ask the children to look at the picture and tell you what the vehicle is and what it does. Can they suggest a name? What is it doing in the picture and where is

it going? A rocket ship may be orbiting the earth on its way to Mars or a boat might be chugging to the Arctic to do research.

Try the "Before and After" game.

Ask students what happened before the picture was taken and what will happen next.

Add "Speech Bubbles." Start with a removable post it note and trim into the shape of a speech bubble. If this vehicle could talk, what would it say?

Play a color or shape game. Ask students to identify different colors on the photographs and point them out in the pictures. Try the same activity with shapes.

Create collages! Rub your vehicle onto a sheet of paper and cut around the edges. Paste onto a background sheet and add graphic elements.

