

Seattle Department of Transportation

Safe Routes to School

GETTING AROUND TOWN
ACTIVITY BOOK FOR TEENS & ADULTS



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SAFER STREETS FOR SEATTLE

What is Safe Routes to School?

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a national program that encourages safe walking and biking to school. The Seattle Departments of Transportation supports this effort by funding engineering improvements, walking and biking safety education, and encouragement campaigns at local schools.

Why have a Safe Routes to School Program?

A SRTS program has numerous benefits. It promotes physical activity while simultaneously decreasing traffic congestion around schools. More walkers and bikers mean fewer cars during school arrival and departure.

What is Vision Zero?

Vision Zero is the City of Seattle's long-term initiative to end traffic deaths and serious injuries on city streets, through smarter street design, education, and partnership. Learn more at www.seattle.gov/visionzero.

How Do I Begin?

Start small! Pick a day to walk, bike, or take transit with your children, siblings, family or friends to school. If you live too far, try walking part of the distance. Enjoy being outside! Meet up with other students and "carpool" on foot, bike, or transit together.

What's a Walking School Bus?

A group of children or young people walking to school, usually with one or more adults, picking up students along the way to school. You can make this a weekly or monthly tradition, meeting up for snacks before the trip.

What's a Bike Train?

A Walking School Bus on wheels. Don't forget your helmets and lights!

Where do you want to go today?

On land or water, Seattle has many ways to travel:

by foot, on wheels, on water, and beyond.



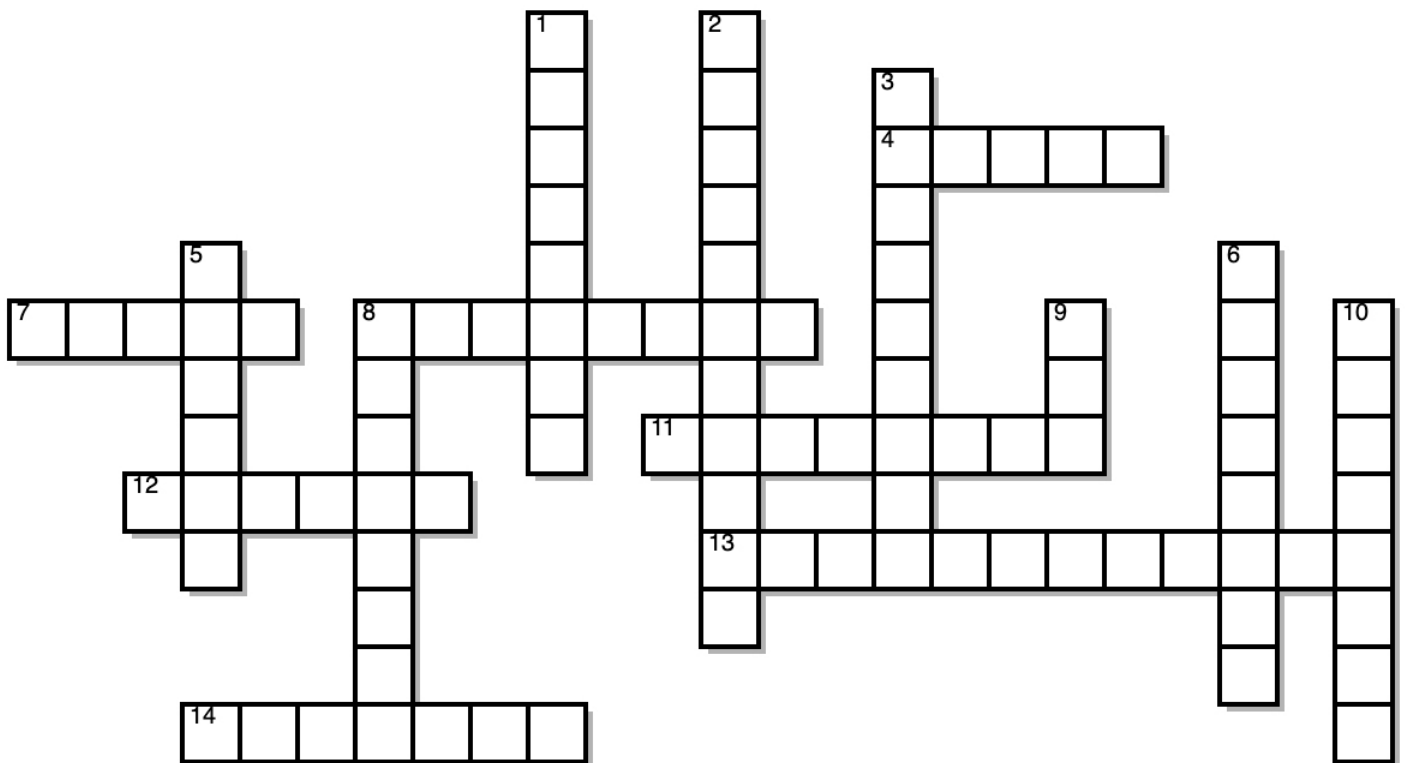
Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

4. Seattle's world champion women's soccer team
7. Seattle's women's basketball team
8. A specific place on the road that is meant only for bicycles
11. Seattle's football team
12. What you wear on your head while riding a bike
13. Before crossing the road, what should you do?
14. The act of traveling or an excursion on foot

DOWN

1. Seattle's men's basketball team
2. Seattle skyline icon
3. Where pedestrians traverse
5. Seattle's men's ice hockey team
6. Use this item to pay for a bus, light rail, monorail, streetcar and the Sounder train
8. A place where you park your bicycle or scooter
9. A large motor vehicle on the road that carries many passengers who have paid a fare
10. A red octagon requiring motorists to halt before continuing

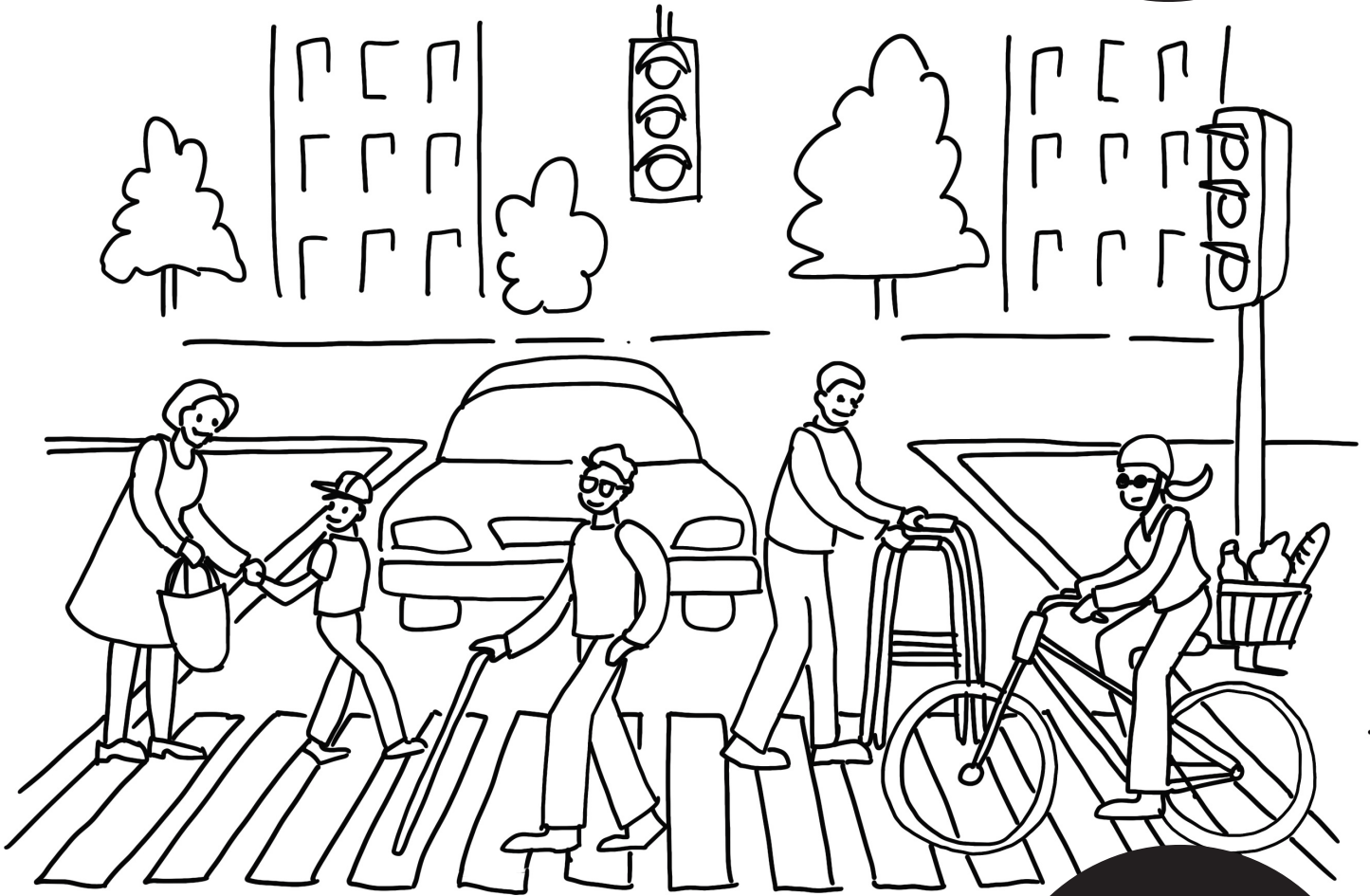


- ANSWERS**
1. Mariners
 2. space needle
 3. crosswalk
 4. Reign
 5. Kraken
 6. ORCA card
 7. Storm
 8. bike lane
 9. bus
 10. stop sign
 11. Seahawks
 12. helmet
 13. look both ways
 14. walking

Safe travels, everyone!

**Put your
phone away
when you get
in the car**

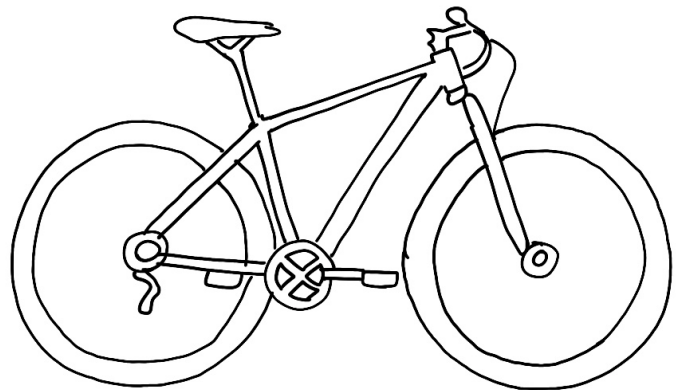
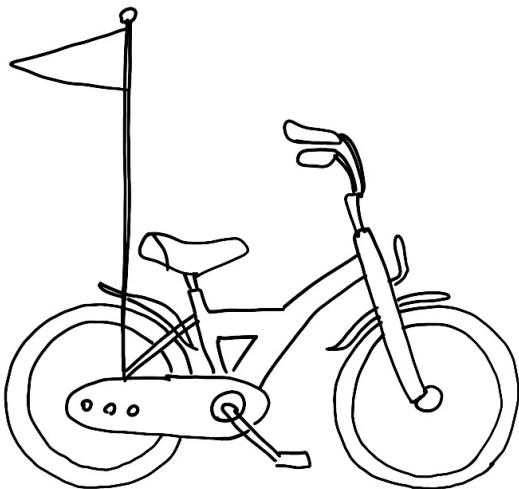
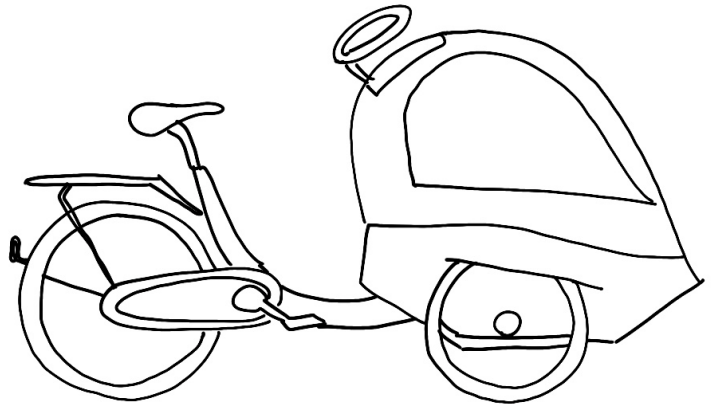
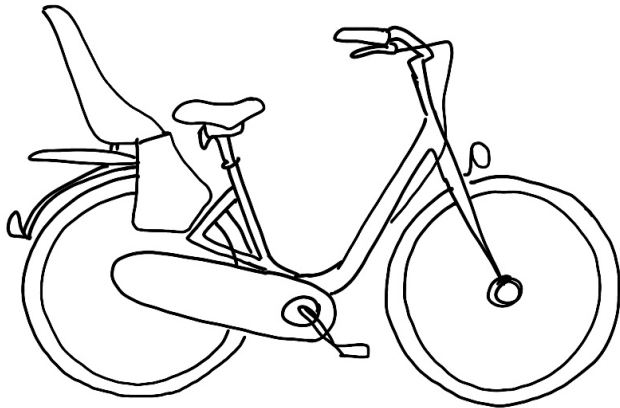
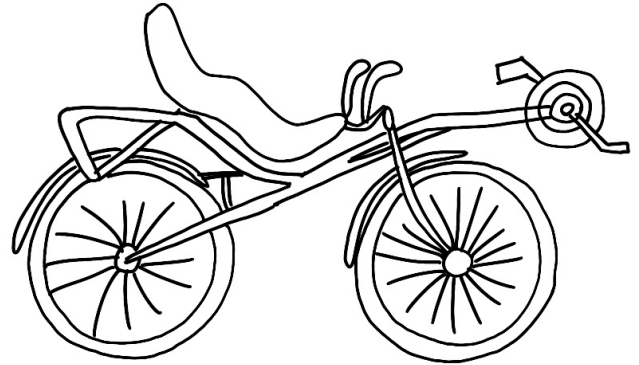
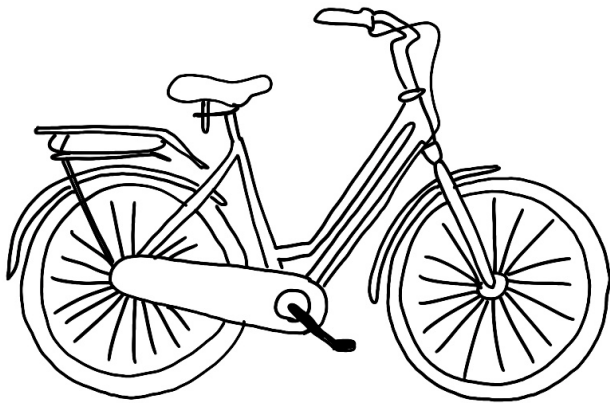
**Always stop for
pedestrians!**



**25 miles per hour
on major roads.
Slow down and
save lives.**

Bikes, bikes, everywhere!

Where do you want to go today? Your feet and your bike can take you there. What type of bicycle do you like to ride?



Pike Place Market

A paradise for pedestrians and local goods.

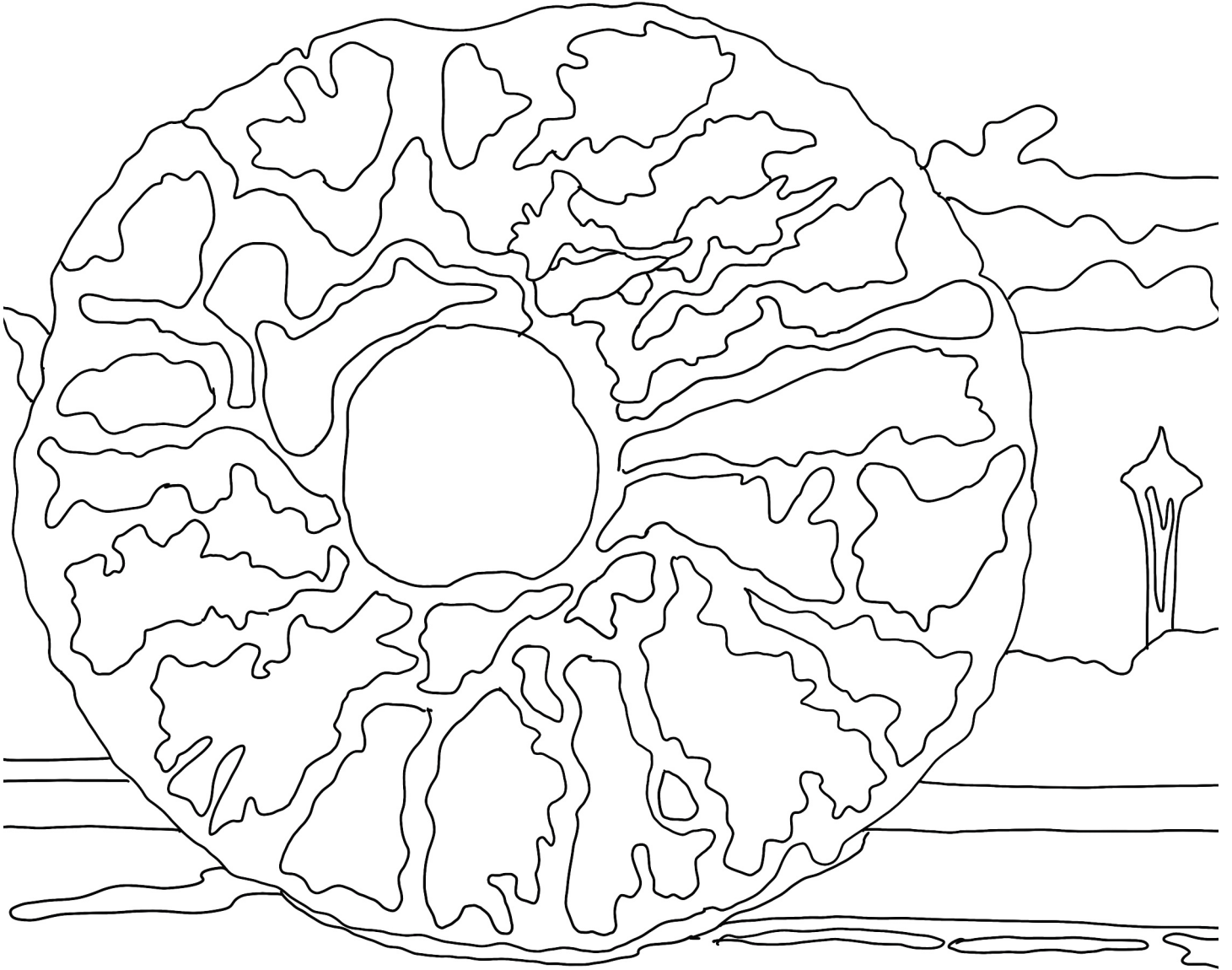


Volunteer Park

Seattle is a city of unique neighborhoods and parks.

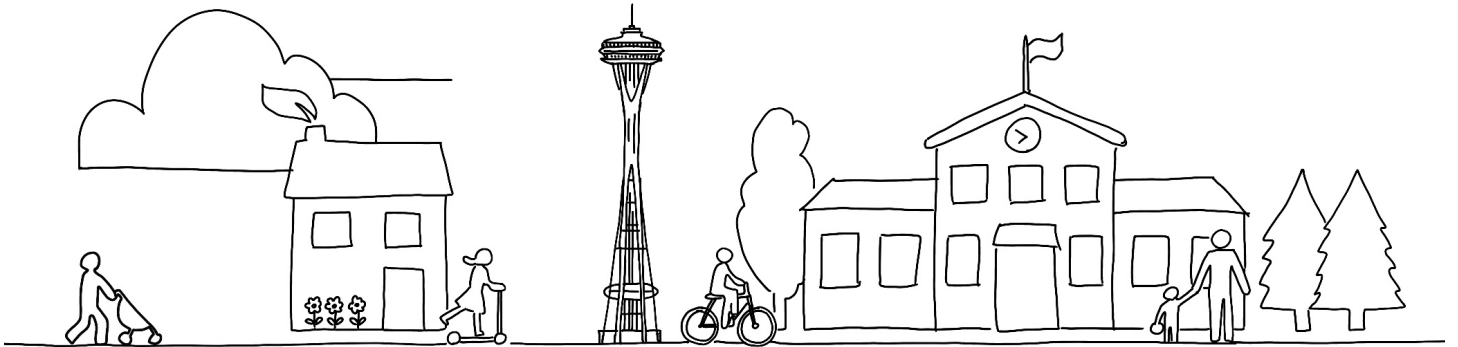
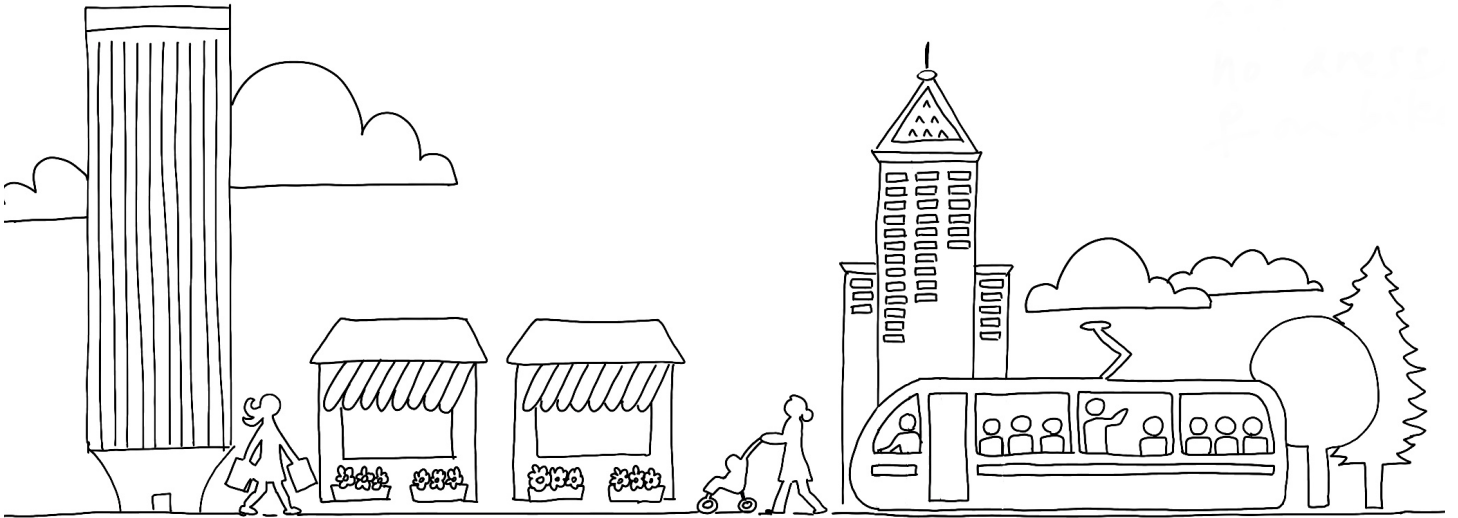
What are your favorite parks and why?

Which parks can you walk and bike to?



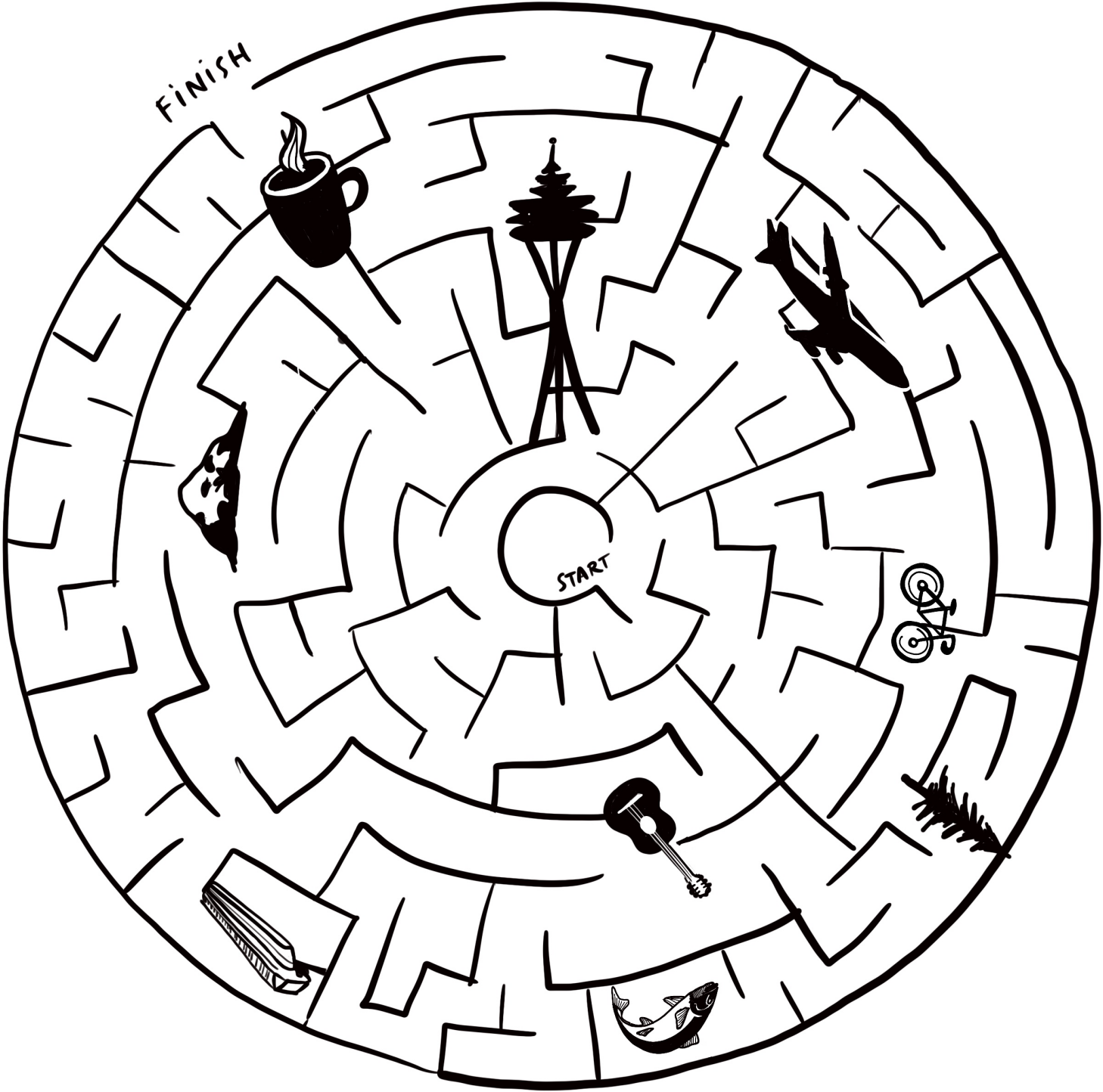
Many types of mobility

Tired of waiting for your ride? Get yourself there by bike, foot or transit, – on your schedule. Which is your favorite way to travel?



A Maze of Seattle icons

Can you get from start to finish?



Draw Your Own Route!

Do you live close enough to walk or bike to school?

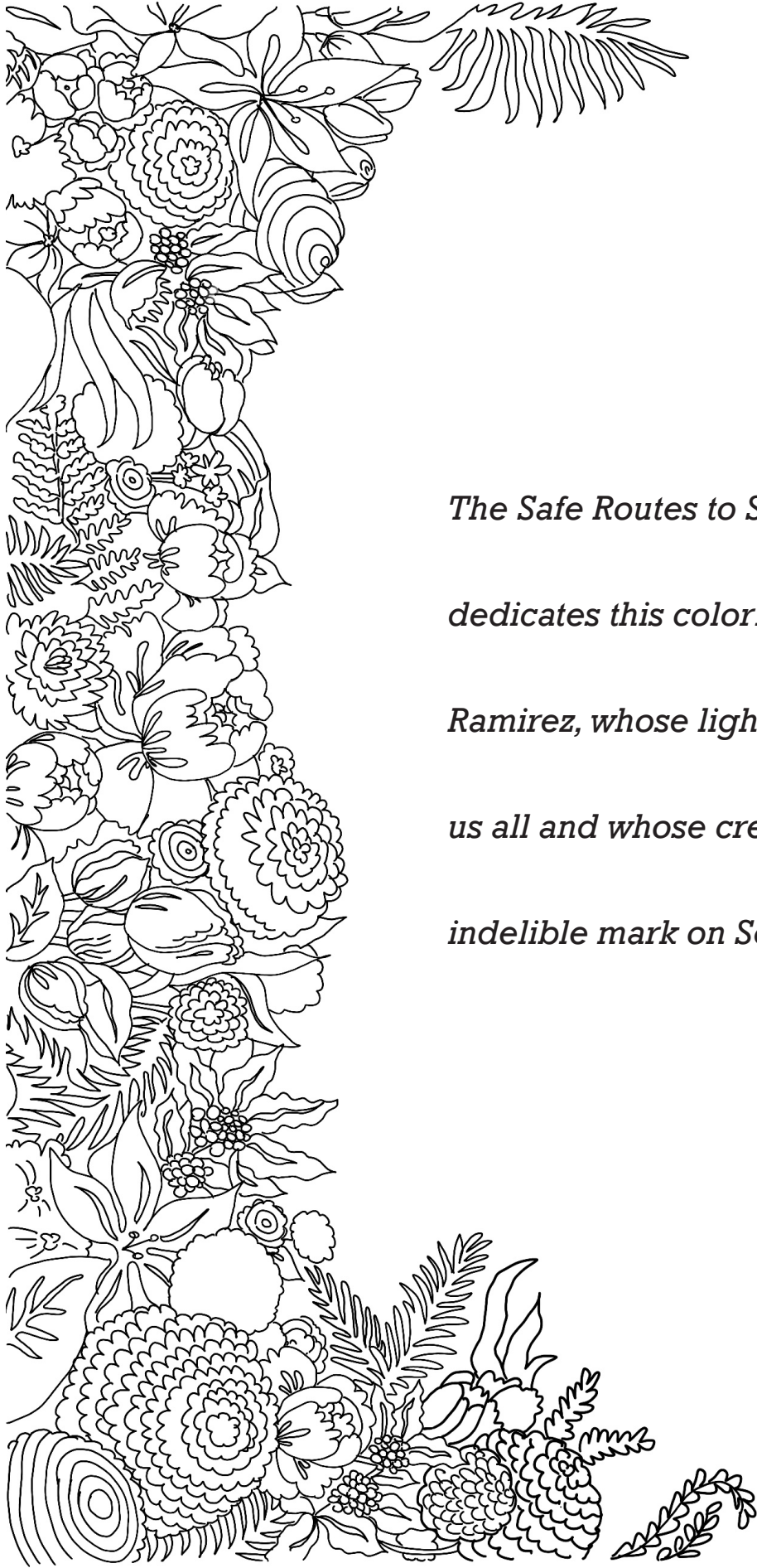
- Yes, then draw your route to school on this page.**
- No, where do you walk? Draw the route to someplace you walk in your neighborhood, like a park, community center, friend or family member's house, or a store.**



Things to include in your drawing: sidewalks, crosswalks, traffic signals, safe places (friend and family's houses, community center, libraries, etc.), fun landmarks (art, little free libraries, etc.) and other things you see along the way.

TIPS:

- When you can, pick streets with sidewalks or paths separated from traffic.
- If there's no sidewalk, walk on the left side of the street, as far from traffic as possible.
- When you can, choose quiet neighborhood streets instead of busy main streets.
- Cross busy streets where there are traffic signals, stop signs, crossing beacons, school crosswalks, or crossing guards.



The Safe Routes to School program

dedicates this coloring book to Kristen

Ramirez, whose light and laughter touched

us all and whose creativity and talent left an

indelible mark on Seattle.