



Ideas for Incorporating Rail Safety Messages into Kaitiaki o Ara/Students Against Dangerous Driving (SADD) Activities & Resources

What's next?

How to run 'What's next?':

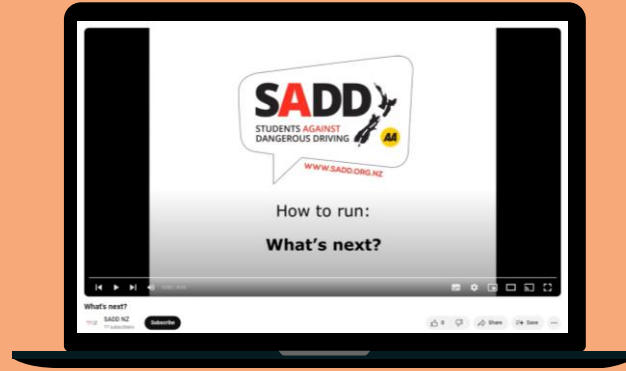
1. Print out a photo related to driving around railway crossings.
2. Display it alongside the following questions:
 - a) What do you see?
 - b) What do you think is happening?
 - c) What might happen next?
3. Have students write their answers on post-it notes and stick them under each question.

Aim:

To make students think about the implications and consequences of their choices.

Tips:

This works best in a classroom situation or with lots of people.



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[Link to activity outline](#)

Example Photos



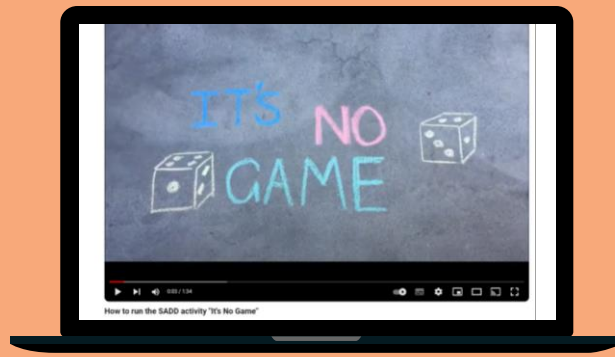
It's no game (snakes and ladders)

How to run 'It's no game':

1. Pick your time and place (ask permission first).
2. Using chalk, draw out a 6x6 grid on the ground:
 - a) Draw out a 6x6 grid on the ground, numbering each square.
 - b) Add in snakes and ladders
 - c) Add the letter 'Q' (for question) to 10 of the squares.
3. Roll the dice to move. Players answer a rail safety question on each 'Q' square. Wrong answers miss a turn, right answers move forward.

Aim:

To make students understand how their choices while driving can have both positive and negative consequences.



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You could also develop these questions for a Kahoot quiz! See [here](#) for an activity outline.

Example Questions •

Q: What is the maximum fine for trespassing in the rail corridor?

A: \$10,000.

Q: How many collisions with vehicles/people were there at level crossings in 2023?

A: 19 collisions.

Q: What's the maximum speed that trains can run on the network?

A: 100 kmph.

Q: What is the stopping distance of a fully loaded freight train?

A: Up to 1 kilometre.

Q: Is it legal to start driving across a level crossing before the bells and lights have stopped?

A: No, you must wait until the lights and bells have stopped and the barrier is fully raised before crossing.

Believe it or not

How to run 'Believe it or not':

1. Write a list of questions with only two answers.
2. Choose a place and time (e.g. school assembly) and get everyone involved.
3. Explain the rules
 - a. Hands on heads for first option, hands on tails for second option.
 - b. Winners stay standing
4. Last person standing wins!

Tip:

- Make sure the answers aren't too obvious.
- Think of a good prize to incentivise active participation.



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Example Questions

Q: The maximum fine for trespassing in the rail corridor is \$10,000.

A1: True ✓

A2: False ✗

Q: The maximum speed that trains can run on the network is 80 kmph.

A1: True ✗

A2: False ✓ (it's actually 100 kmph)

Q: There are around 1,500 public level crossings across NZ.

A1: True ✓

A2: False ✗

Q: You can cross at a level crossing as soon as the barrier arm starts to go up.

A1: True ✗

A2: False ✓ (you must wait until the lights and bells have stopped and the barrier is fully raised before crossing)

Notice me!

How to run 'Notice me':

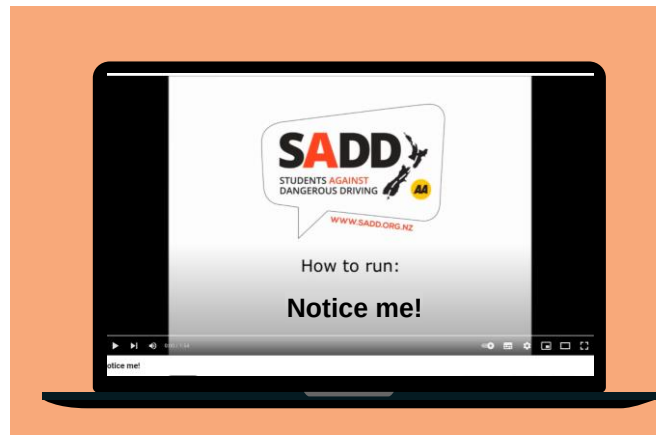
1. Find some rail safety facts that you want to share with your school (check out the KiwiRail/TrackSAFE level crossing incident facts and stats document, or have a look online at places like [TrackSAFE](#), [Auckland Transport](#), [Waka Kotahi](#), or [Police NZ](#)).
2. Share some rail safety stats and facts in the school notices or on your school Facebook page/app.

Aim:

- Prompt students to think about being safe around train tracks and level crossings.

Tips:

- Talk to your teacher first for permission.
- Display facts where the entire student body will see them.



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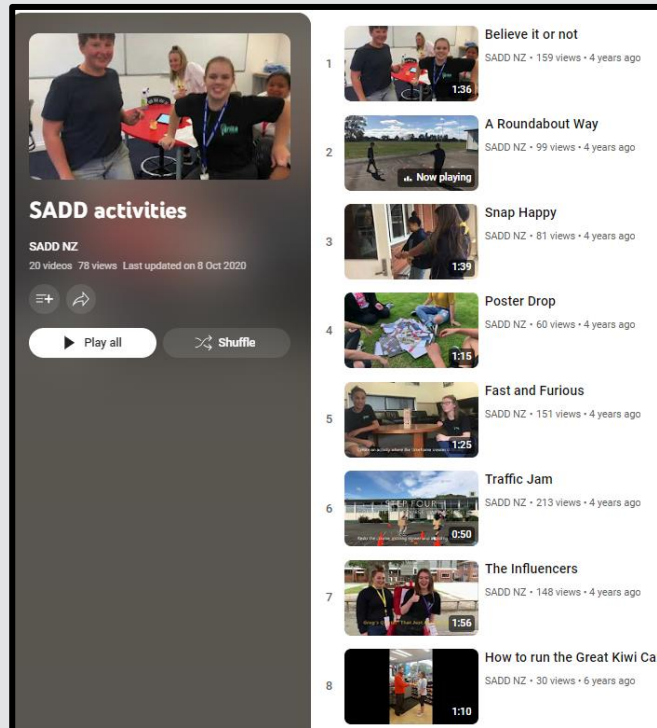
Example Facts

- 24% of the drivers in fatal and serious car accidents at railway levels crossings were aged 24 and under (between 2010 and 2020).
- 64% of the drivers in fatal and serious car accidents at railway levels crossings were male (between 2010 and 2020).
- In 2023, 100% of collisions between trains and vehicles were at railway level crossings with active protection (bells/lights/barrier arms).
- In 2023 alone, there were 104 near misses between trains and vehicles.
- Since 2011, there have been over 1,100 near misses between trains and vehicles.

Some more ideas...

Make sure to tag @kiwirailnz and @tracksafenz

Other SADD Activities

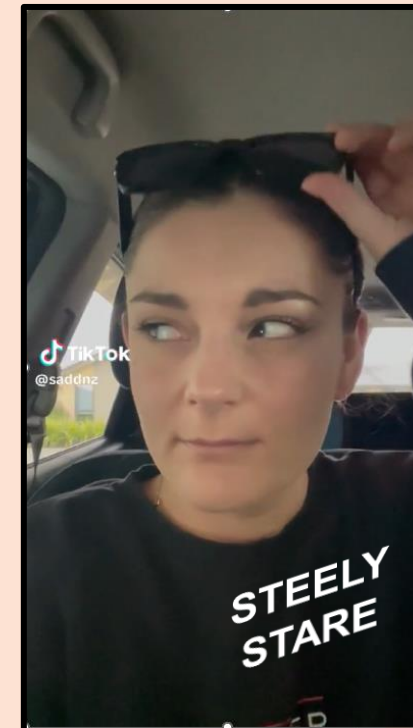


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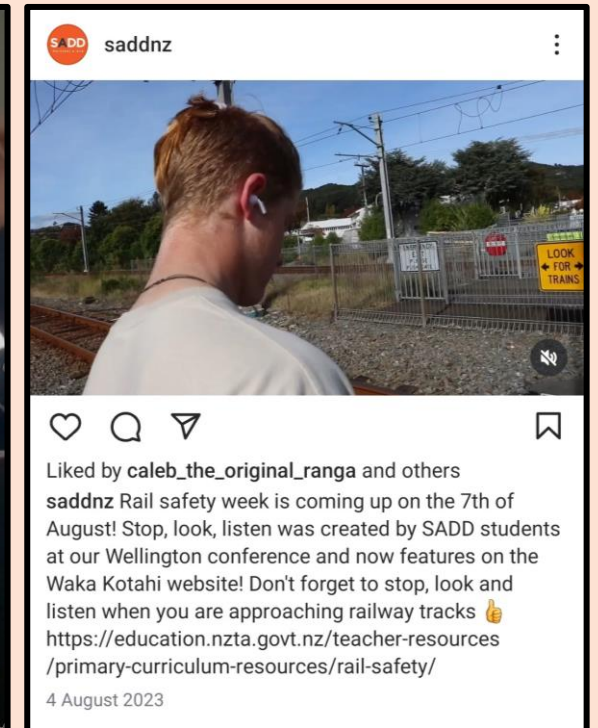


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