

Railway Safety

Read the passage and fill in the missing words.

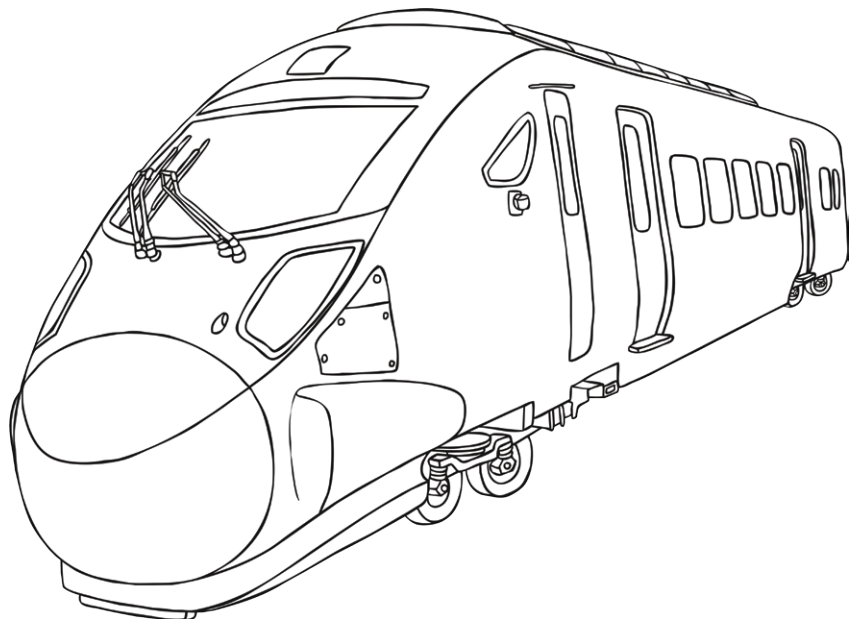
Railway _____ are very busy places and there are many hidden dangers. Never try to open train doors, be careful of the gap when getting on and off the train and leave anything that falls on to the track. Most importantly, never _____ on the railway network as this leads to many deaths each year.

Electric trains are _____, reliable and spacious and they are also better for the _____ than diesel trains. By 2020, nearly half of all of Britain's trains will be _____. However, electric trains need to be powered by a lot of electricity and this brings with it many _____. Electric trains are powered by overhead power lines and _____ rails (which are sometimes referred to as third rails). These have incredibly _____ volts of electricity (25 000v) passing through them every minute of every day and can be dangerous to anyone who gets too close.

To stay safe around railways, these rules should be followed:

- Stay off railway _____.
- Do not fly kites or balloons near overhead power lines.
- Read the _____ signs.
- Use level crossings.

When using _____ _____, it is vitally important that people pay attention to the warnings. If the red lights are flashing and an alarm is ringing, this means that a train is _____. Even if you cannot see the train, know that it is coming. Once the train has passed and the lights and alarm have stopped, it is safe to walk across. Remember, when using a level crossing, _____, wait, walk.



Railway Safety Answers

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Railway **stations** are very busy places and there are many hidden dangers. Never try to open train doors, be careful of the gap when getting on and off the train and leave anything that falls on to the track. Most importantly, never **trespass** on the railway network as this leads to many deaths each year.

Electric trains are **fast**, reliable and spacious and they are also better for the **environment** than diesel trains. By 2020, nearly half of all of Britain's trains will be **electric**. However, electric trains need to be powered by a lot of electricity and this brings with it many **dangers**. Electric trains are powered by overhead power lines and **conductor** rails (which are sometimes referred to as third rails). These have incredibly **high** volts of electricity (25 000v) passing through them every minute of every day and can be dangerous to anyone who gets too close.

To stay safe around railways, these rules should be followed:

- Stay off railway **tracks**.
- Do not fly kites or balloons near overhead power lines.
- Read the **warning** signs.
- Use level crossings.

When using **level crossings**, it is vitally important that people pay attention to the warnings. If the red lights are flashing and an alarm is ringing, this means that a train is **approaching**. Even if you cannot see the train, know that it is coming. Once the train has passed and the lights and alarm have stopped, it is safe to walk across. Remember, when using a level crossing, **stop**, wait, walk.

