

Taxi, Go!



A RIF GUIDE FOR FAMILIES

Themes: City, Taxis, Transportation, Vehicles

Book Brief: Spend a day with a taxi from morning to night as it picks up passengers and takes them places throughout the city. As it travels, it passes many other vehicles and encounters different kinds of traffic all over town.

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TIME TO READ!



Before: Read the title of the story and look at the cover. Ask your child what they think will happen in the story. Ask them what they know about taxis and why people might use them.

During: As you read, ask, “Where is the taxi going on this page? Why is the taxi going/stopping?”

After, ask questions:

- Where did the taxi go in the story?
- What vehicles did the taxi drive by?
- What do taxis do? Why is it helpful to have taxis?
- Where would you like to go in a taxi?

CONVERSATION STARTERS

When children develop **Language Awareness** they learn to “talk like a book,” imitating the tone and rhythm of a story, and retelling the content of the book in their own words or with familiar, repeated phrases. As you reread the book, encourage your child to retell some of the story or repeat some of the rhymes in the text.

RELATED ACTIVITIES

THE WHEELS ON THE BUS

Similar to a taxi, a bus is another vehicle in the city that can take people where they want to go. Try singing The “Wheels on the Bus” with your child:



*The wheels on the bus go round and round,
Round and round, round and round.
The wheels on the bus go round and round
All through the town.*

*The wipers on the bus go swish, swish, swish...
The bell on the bus goes ding, ding, ding...
The doors on the bus go open and shut...
The horn on the bus goes beep, beep, beep...
The children on the bus go wriggle, wriggle,
wriggle...*

*The driver on the bus goes “Move on back...”
The people on the bus go chatter, chatter, chatter...*

Try making up your own verses!

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



OTHER BOOKS ABOUT VEHICLES IN THE CITY

- **I Stink! (2006)**
- **Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site (2011)**
- **The Wheels on the Bus (Barefoot Books, 2021)**