

Pictograms – reading and answering questions

WHAT THIS LESSON TEACHES

A pictogram is built to be read: count the icons in a row to find how many are in that group. Each icon stands for one person or item so the longest row is the most popular.

→ If the walk row has 8 icons and each icon means one child, 8 children walk.

→ If 8 walk and 3 cycle, the walk row has 5 more icons so 5 more children walk.

MODEL THIS ON THE BOARD

READING FRIENDS TRAVEL PICTOGRAM

- ① Look at the walk row and count its icons: there are **8** icons.
- ② Each icon stands for one friend so **8** friends walk to school.
- ③ The cycle row has **3** icons so **3** friends cycle.
- ④ Line the rows up: walk has **5** more icons than cycle.
- ⑤ Add the rows **8 + 3 + 1** to find the total of **12** friends.

DISCUSSION STARTER

REFLECT How do you find 'how many more' on a pictogram without counting every symbol twice?

ANSWER KEY

b) Bird

c) 28

Q1: 8

Q2: dogs

Q3: 5

a) Always — More icons always mean a larger group chose that option.

b) Never — One row shows only its own group; every row must be added for the total.

c) Always — The extra icons stick out at once when rows are side by side.

d) Always — Fewest icons always mean the smallest group.

EXTENSION SHEET · STRETCH ANSWERS

S1: 106

S3: 21

S2: 17