

Topic Synopsis

Different Ways Of Going To School

- Children in different parts of our country have found different ways of going to school.
- Depending on the availability of the means of transport and the type of geographical conditions, several unique ways have been adopted to go from one place to another.
- In Assam, where there is frequent rainfall and there is knee-high water everywhere, children cross bamboo and rope bridges to reach their school.
- In Ladakh, the rivers are very wide and deep, children cross the river by a trolley and go to their school.
- In Kerala, children use a *vallam smallwoodenboat* to reach school.
- In the desert of Rajasthan, camel carts are a frequent mode of transport.
- Bullock carts are used by children to go to school in villages, in the plains.
- Many children ride their bicycles to go to school.
- In some parts of Gujarat, *jugad*, a combination of motorcycle and carriage, is seen carrying the children to school.
- Children living near the forest areas have to walk through the forests and reach their school.
- In the Northern hills where there is a lot of snowfall, children walk carefully on the snow to go to school.
- Children living in the mountains can easily walk through the rocky and uneven path of the mountains, while going to their school.
- We realise that many children have to face a lot of problems and have to walk long distances to reach school.
- Children must follow the principle of self-discipline in school. Punishments should not be encouraged in schools.

