

DIG DEEPER
WEEK 2

GETTING AROUND IN INDIA

As you are traveling along with Kevin, you're probably seeing some surprising kinds of vehicles in the streets. There are many ways to get around in India, but cars are not often one of them! Here are a few ways kids and families in India get from place to place.

Train: India has over 40,000 miles of train tracks! It is the fourth-biggest system of railways in the world. Over 13,000 trains carry people all over India every day! The first passenger train ran in India in 1853.

Bus: In India, you can take a bus almost anywhere. Some buses even have places where you can lay down and sleep!

Other buses can be very crowded and uncomfortable, though, because so many people use them. Buses will travel anywhere from busy cities to way up in the mountains.

Cycle Rickshaw: All around India, you'll see people using cycle rickshaws as transportation. It's like a bigger tricycle, where two people can sit on an elevated seat at the back. The driver pedals from the front.

Lorry: Have you ever heard of a lorry? In India, this is a type of large truck, similar to semi trucks that we see in the United States. A lorry is most often used for transporting goods, not people. Oftentimes, lorries have fun colors and designs on them, making the roads in India extra colorful!

Auto Rickshaw: An auto rickshaw is a vehicle with three wheels that doesn't have any doors! It usually has a small spot for someone to drive and a seat in the back for passengers.

This is what you saw Kevin riding in last week's video!

Usually they are yellow or green and have a black, yellow, or green top.

