



Classic English Junior Level 7 - Unit 3 - Lesson 3

Evolution of Bicycles

The background of the slide is a dark blue with white and light blue splatters. It features a series of white lines that trace the evolution of bicycles from a rickshaw at the top left to a modern road bike at the bottom right. Silhouettes of people riding these different types of vehicles are integrated into the design. The title 'Evolution of Bicycles' is written in large, white, 3D-style letters across the center.

We are going to learn about bicycles in the past and now.



Warm-up

2 min



Which of these vehicles do you want? Which one is the fastest?



Reading 3 min

Read with the teacher and then answer the questions below.

There are over one billion bicycles around the world. Bicycles are vehicles that a person can ride by moving their legs in a circular motion. Parts of a bicycle include a frame, a seat, two wheels, and **pedals**.



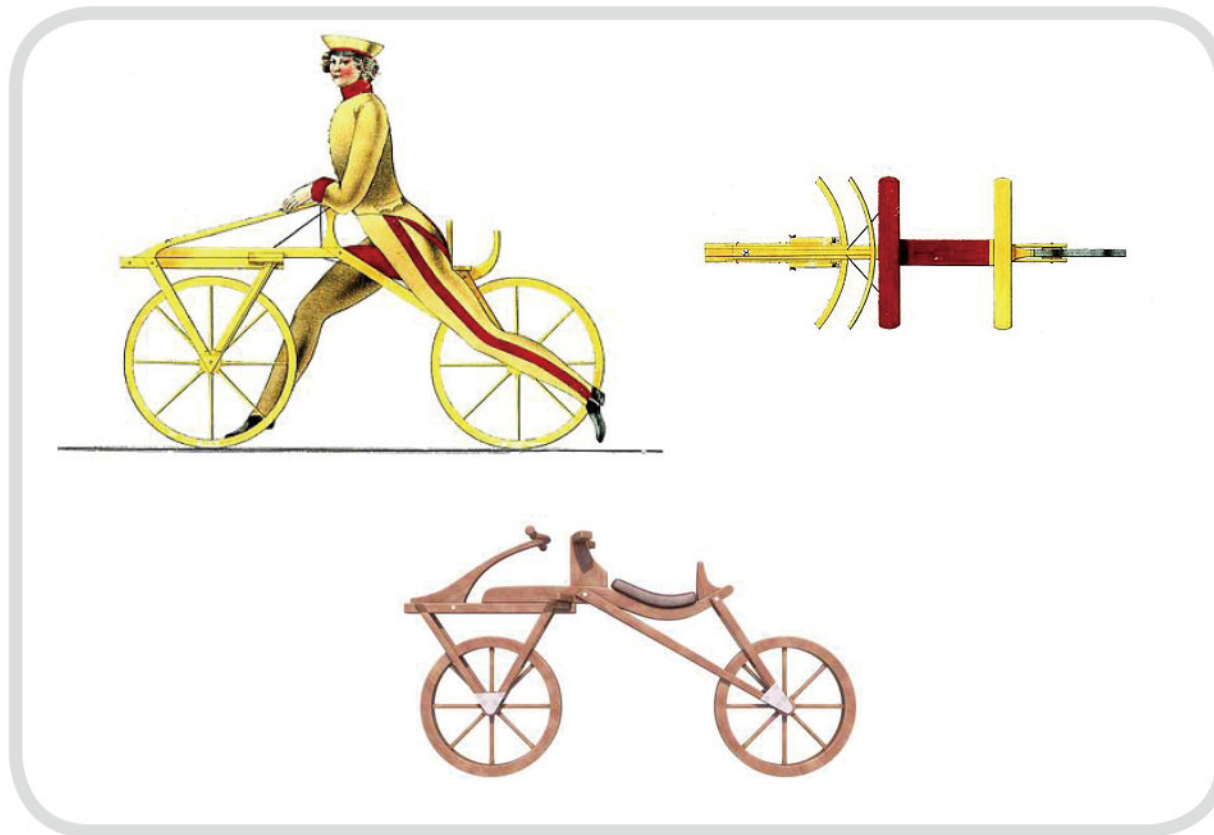
Do you have a bicycle? What does it look like?

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**Reading****3** min

Read with the teacher and then answer the question below.

The first bicycle was invented in Germany, in 1817. It didn't have pedals or a **chain**, so people had to push the ground with their feet to move.



If you had the first bicycle in the world, how would you have made it move?

To be continued... >>

**Reading****4** min

Read with the teacher and then move to the Word Focus.

Pedals and chains were first used on bicycles in the 1860s so that people didn't **scuff** their shoes. In 1888, John K. Starley **produced** the first safety bicycle, which looked a lot like bicycles today.

**Word Focus**

- People can scratch their shoes if they **scuff** them.
- Have you ever **scuffed** your shoes when walking?



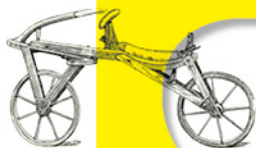
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Reading 4 min

Read with the teacher and then answer the question.

In recent years, **the Netherlands** has the highest number of people choosing to ride bicycles. The number of bicycles in the Netherlands is larger than its whole **population**. Below are some of the most important facts about the history of bicycles.



The first bike was invented.

1817



The high wheel bicycle was invented.

1870

1860s



The pedal bicycle was invented.

1888



The safety bicycle was invented.

The racing bicycle was first produced.



1960

1970s



The mountain bicycle was first produced.



Why did they invent the safety bicycle?

Let's practice. >>



Task

4

min

Fill in the blanks.



There are more than one billion bicycles today. The first one had no _____ or _____.



Since the 1860s, people haven't needed to _____ their shoes when riding a bicycle.



The safety bicycle was _____ in 1888. It looks the same as bicycles today. The number of bicycles in the _____ is more than its whole _____.

Word Bank

pedals
chains
Netherlands
population
scuff
produced

More challenges! >>



Leadership

4 min

Discuss with the teacher.

Q1. What kind of bicycles do you like the best?

I like ... bicycles the best.



Q2. Do you like to travel very far by bicycle? Why?

Yes, I like ... because ...

No, I don't like ... because ...



Q3. Do you think bicycles are still useful today? Why?

I think bicycles are ... because ...





In this lesson, we...



learned about bicycles in the past and now.



learned new words/phrases.

☐ pedal

☐ population

☐ scuff

☐ produce

☐ the Netherlands

☐ chain

