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Transport and the way we travel has changed over time. There was a time when there were very few cars on the roads and when people didn't travel very far. In the RESP archive you can find stories about walking miles to school, making go-carts or making deliveries by horse and cart. But for this activity sheet, we are off to the moon.

Have a listen to the clip, from 75-year-old Grace Brown from Langholm talking about meeting Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon. Neil Armstrong had Scottish ancestors. Listen very carefully and see if you can answer the questions below. (Write your answers in the space below each question.)

- Who decided to write to Neil Armstrong to invite him to Langholm?
- How soon after the moon landing did they write to Neil?
- What special memory did Grace have of his visit and just how long was it before she washed her hand?

What is the furthest that you have travelled and would you like to travel to the moon one day?

TASK:

Think about interviewing a parent, grandparent or even a teacher about their experience of travelling and how things have changed over the years. You could ask them about how they used to travel to school and compare this with your daily journey to school.

Write a few lines below telling us what you learned from the interview.

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TASK:

Use the box below to draw a picture of your favourite form of transport. This could be real (like your bike or scooter), something you've seen in a book or on a film, or it might be a way of travelling that you haven't yet experienced (like traveling on a spacecraft like Neil Armstrong).

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Find out more:

If you would like to listen to some more interviews, why not search the RESP website to find out more about travel and transport or other subjects that interest you. HINT try using the search box to search for things like transport, travel, cars.

If you would like to hear more from Grace Brown you can listen to the rest of the interview by searching the name Grace Brown and finding the page dedicated to her. (Search Grace Brown and then look for the item 'Interviews of Grace Brown' and click on this.)

There are a lot of interviews to listen to on the RESP website and if you are not sure where to start or what to look for, the secret is to just start looking and see what catches your interest. Using the search box, experiment with words relating to this worksheet or anything else that takes you interest and then follow the links. There are also other worksheets you can try on the Kids Only page that might give you some ideas.