Approaches to Learning
Activity for 48 to 54 Months

Take a Vacation
Looking at various modes of transportation helps children understand cause-and-effect relationships. The activity also encourages eagerness in the children to learn about and discuss a growing range of topics, ideas, and tasks.

Materials:
- Markers
- Pictures of various modes of transportation
- Travel brochures
- Poster board

What to do:

1. Discuss with the child that she is going to plan an imaginary vacation. Ask how you would get there, what you would bring, and what you would do once you arrived.

2. Create a travel chart of the various modes of transportation that could be used (boat, airplane, bus, train, car, bicycle). Find pictures of these modes of transportation to put on the chart.

3. Discuss whether these vehicles need water, wind, gas, or electricity to help them move. Note that on the chart, as well.

4. Ask the child to share ways in which she has traveled to her vacation spot. (Pictures would enhance this activity.)

5. Gather travel brochures for various destinations. Show the child each of these brochures and talk about how you might get to the destination.