

INVITATION: THANKSGIVING AT GRANDMA'S HOUSE. BRING YOUR FAVORITE PIE
 Train, Plane, Subway, Ferry, Van, Bus, Horse, Hot air balloon, cab
 Trek, trail, journey,

1. CITY/TRAINS

Into the lobby and out the door.

The subway's down the street. /// Across the bustling street.

A crowded ride; we're squished inside. /// The subway's jammed. /We have to stand.

Hey, you're on my feet!

Race through the station to catch the train.

Quick! It's leaving soon. //We scramble to our seats.

The gray city scene

turns white and green.

We'll make it there by noon. I hope we're there by noon!

Can't wait for Grandma's treats!

Down to the depot to meet the train.

We hear the whistle blow.

There's a cry and a cheer,

And a "Look who's here!"

We grab our bags and go.

Race down the subway stairs

Out of the rain, and onto the train

With bags and bowls and --pies.

Into the rain, hop onto the train

Into the station and to the train

Cries "ALL ABOARD!"

The train chugs along, song, wrong, throng

Cord, chord, floored, fjord, afford, horde, poured, scored, soared, stored, sword, toured, toward,

2. SUBURBAN/DRIVE

Pack up the pooches and load the van.

We need to leave by eight!

It's a good, long ride

through the countryside.

Come on, we can't be late!

Into the tunnel and past the barn,

We're zipping right along.

A bump. A POP!

did

Then

cab
clay
crab
fab
gab
lab
nab
stab
tab

But the gas gauge is low. Pull in the depot train pull in
 Dad says "Hi!" We're not too far away
 We'd better get some. But we'll not too far away
 and then we hear a neigh...

bay
clay
day/today
gray
okay
lay
may
pay
play
ray
(a) stray
(b) stray
sway
(por) tray
(a) way
coney

No But the No stations no sight
 Hey, what's that light? More getting low on gas!

The scenery is flying past
 Is there a need to stop for some gas?
 No gas, not a drop STOP
 in the tank

book
clunk
frank
sank

We'd come a long, long way
 But the tunnel is in sight.
 No stations in sight.

But
 In

low
bro
blow
flow
go
jow

Linda Ashman: Draft of Over the River

A clunk. We stop.
Uh, oh. There's something wrong.

Check out the tires. Oh, no. A flat. We've got a flat, and call the tow.
The van gets towed away.
Oh, what bad luck.
What now? We're stuck!
And then we hear a "NEIGH!"

Over the river and through the wood,
To Grandmother's house we go.
The horse knows the way
To carry the sleigh
Through the white and drifted snow.

Over the bridge and around the bend
At last we're nearly there. A mile or so to go. onto the highway, we're moving fast/we speed along
The miles go passing by. Our exit's up ahead.

Into the tunnel and past the –
We're moving right along.

What could it be? Free, agree, key, family, me, knee, see, tree, wheee, we,
Cry, dry, eye, fly, guy, high, lie, my, pie, sigh, shy, try, why
Pull over to the side. Ride, bride, collide, cried, guide, hide, pride, tried, tide, tied, wide

The scenery rolling past. We o Grandmother's house we go./at last.
We ride in the sleigh/cart
And ride a short way
To Grandmother's house, at last!
We'll make it there on time. Chime, dime, sublime, climb, prime, rhyme,

A horse with a cart
A horse and a cart
Sleigh, bay, bray,

Pack up the duffels and load the van. Pack up the pooches
Wait! Who has the keys? Bees, cheese, threes, freeze, knees, peas, please, breeze, trees, zzzs.
Did someone pack the pies?
Buys, cries, eyes, flies, disguise, lies, denies, prize, rise, size, tries, ties, skies, wise

We need to leave by eight! bait, create, date, fate,
It's a good, long drive through the countryside.
We should arrive by ten/two/one/noon/three/four.
Ben, den, hen, men, pen, when
We don't want them to wait!/come on, we can't be late!

And don't forget the pie!
Be sure to bring the —
We've got a drive/trip

Down two-lane country roads.
Codes, loads, toads, explodes,
Down windy country lanes
Brains, cranes, drains, grains, rains, sprains, strains, trains, explains
A bump. A pop!
A clunk. We stop.
Oh, no./Uh, oh. We scramble out.

We hear a "neigh." / We're on our way!
Hey, look at that!
We grab our bags and go./run.

Over the river and through the woods
At last we're nearly there.
The horse knows the way
To carry the sleigh

The shuttle

I can't wait for pumpkin pie!

Into the tunnel and out again/on the ramp
Over the mountains, across the plains/pass
On windy snowy
Into the mountains, between the peaks/across the pass
Into the frosty air

*And now the shuttle bus —
the shuttle is
over there!*

3. FAR AWAY/PLANE

Off to the airport before the dawn.
It's park, then dash, then . . . wait. // We park, then dash, then . . . wait.
We coil and wind // We spend a long time // It's packed and it's loud.
Through the long, snaky line. // We snake through the crowd.
At last—we're at the gate!

Over the mountains, above the plains, *the skies*
We're soaring through the air. *are circling around on clear.*
The plane touches down. *then we had on the ground*
We're back on the ground, *there's Grandpa*
And Grandpa's waiting there. *over there!*

*Will the shuttle bus
take the bus from here
The shuttle will
bus points*

Over the mountains, above the plains,

*The shuttle
will take
the bus
from here... The
bus points*

The buildings come in view/blue,clue,chew,crew,do
The treetops come in view/sight
A bustling place.
We spot Grandpa's face.
Hey, kids. How was your flight?
The plane touches down
We look all around.
There's Grandpa over there!/ car outside!

And now we're circling low.The rivers And through the clouds we go.
We're circling down
Now we're back on the ground
// We're landing very soon.
We're soaring through the air.

Over the mountains, across the plains.
At last—we're circling low. Suspended in the air.
The plane touches down
We rent a car
At last we're almost there!

Into the airport and
Arrive at the airport and stand in line

We wait and wait
At the -- -- gate
At last—we're in the sky!
Passing by . . .

4. FAR AWAY/FERRY

Onto the ferry, and to the deck,
Across the choppy bay.
Hooray, fresh air!
Oh, no. My hair! But oh, my hair.
Oh, well. We're on our way!

cross the bay
Through choppy -- -- ---/across the choppy bay.
The something air, the wind in our hair
On the deck/
Oh, look! Was that a whale?

