

THE ANXIOUS RIDER'S GUIDE TO RIPTA

You will need a cellphone with wifi or a data plan, a card you can use for online purchases, and a place to go. (No card? Cash will work just fine.)
Don't panic!



BEFORE YOU LEAVE

STEP 1

Map your trip using your preferred mapping application. (We recommend Google maps.)



STEP 2

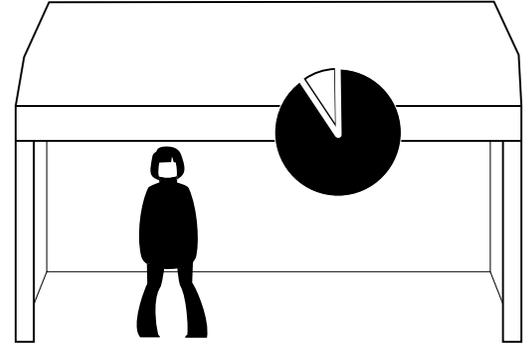
Have your fare ready, either the RIPTA Flash Pass App, or cash in hand.



AT THE BUS STOP

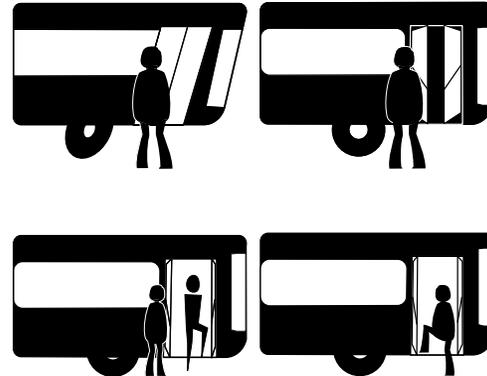
STEP 3

Arrive about five minutes early. No chance of watching the bus go by just as you're turning the corner.



STEP 4

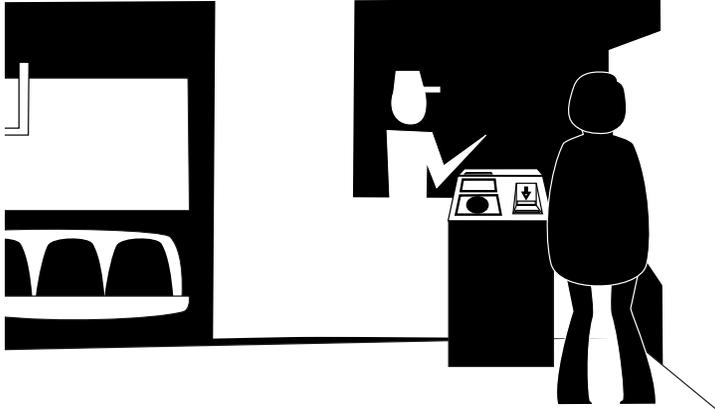
Wait for the bus to come to a complete stop. Wave at the bus driver if you think the bus is about to blow right past you.



STEP 5

Wait for any passengers to step off before you get on. To avoid any awkwardness that arises when you rush on.

GETTING ON THE BUS



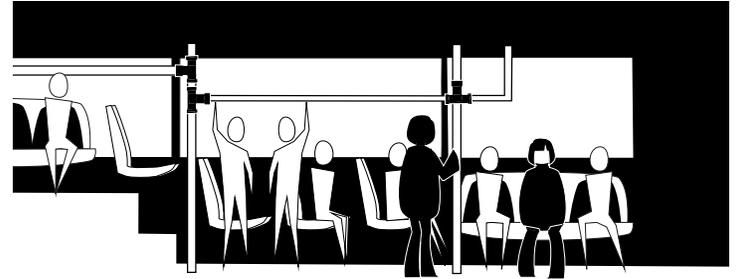
STEP 6

Pay your fare, either by putting your money in the designated slots or by showing the bus driver your activated bus ticket on your phone.



HOT TIP: Brown and RISD students can use their student IDs to ride the bus for free!

ON THE BUS

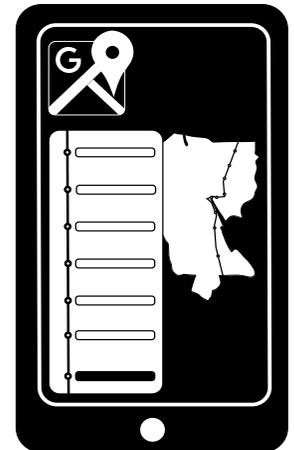


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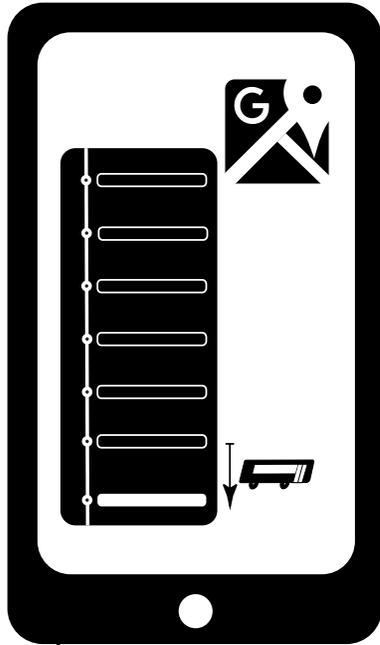
Sit or stand safely, be sure to hold onto the railings and fixtures to avoid falling over.

STEP 8

Pay attention to your map and the surroundings to keep track of where the bus is on its route.

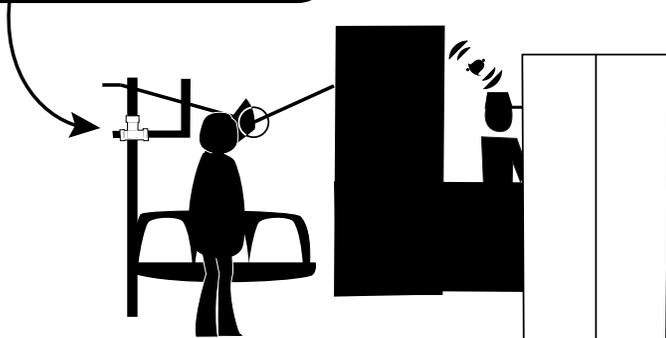


GETTING OFF THE BUS



STEP 9

When the bus leaves or passes the stop before the one where you plan to exit, pull the signal line to let the bus driver know you want to get off at the next stop.



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STEP 10

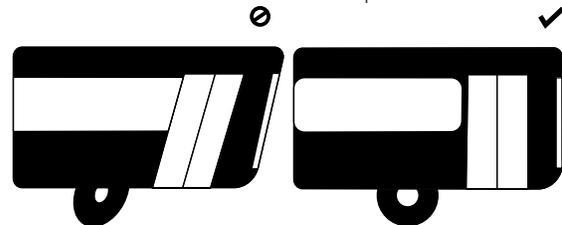
Stand. Prepare to move carefully towards the doors.



STEP 11

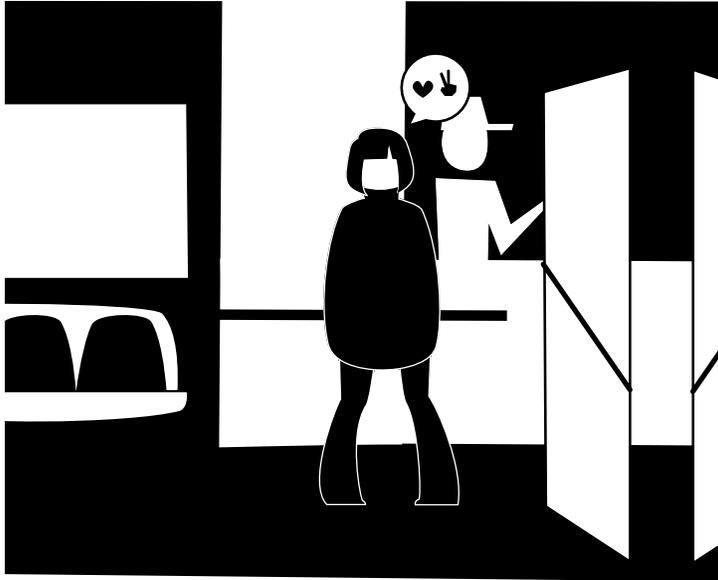
Wait for the bus to come to a complete halt. Remember to brace yourself for the deceleration.

HOT TIP: if the bus driver doesn't seem to be slowing down as you approach the stop, don't be afraid to speak up. We're all doing our imperfect best, bus drivers included.



GETTING OFF THE BUS

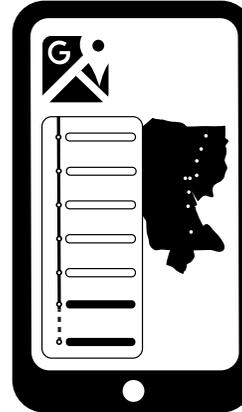
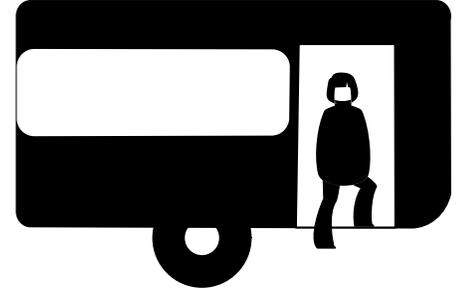
STEP 12
Thank your
bus driver.



HOT TIP: the phrase “Have a good one” works at any time of day or night, so you don’t have to worry about wishing someone a “Good day” when it’s dark out.

GOING ON YOUR WAY

STEP 13
Step off
the bus.



STEP 14
Check your
map and
proceed to
your final
destination.

You did it!

This guide is for all those who ride the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority; get from Point A to the Point B, without worrying about missing your bus, or missing your stop.

For more information about fares and bus routes visit www.ripta.com

Ride fearlessly.