



In this episode The Teacher introduces you to three idioms connected with roads:

1. *Let's hit the road.*
 2. *Middle-of-the-road.*
 3. *A long way down the road.*
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Hello, I'm a very interesting and intelligent backpacker... man. And today, this road and I are going to teach you a thing or two about English idioms.

I bet you've never been taught by a road before.

Would you like to come on holiday with me? I'm going to my favourite country... Belgium.

Well, come on then. It's time to **hit the road**. Argh!

In English, when it's time to leave one place to go to another, we say '**let's hit the road**'.

Let's hit the road.

Just don't hit it too hard...

Ah, my MP3 player. I love to listen to music when I'm travelling.

I used to love metal. But now, I think, you know, I'm getting a little old for it.

That's better.

Yes, these days I prefer something a little more **middle-of-the road**.

In English, if we want to describe a type of music, or person or even an organisation that is not extreme we can say they're '**middle-of-the-road**'.

Middle of the road.

Oh, ah!

I hope we're nearly there.

I'm not sure if we're ever going to get there.

No, Belgium still seems to be **a long way down the road.**

In English, if we want to talk about something that's far in the future, we say **'it's a long way down the road.'**

A long way down the road.

Oh, finally a lift!

Hello. Can you take me to Belgium? Oh good, I am pleased.

Oh dear! Aargh!