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WHY PASSENGER SAFETY MATTERS

You may not be driving yet — but that doesn't mean you don't have _____.

Most teenagers ride in cars every day, and what you do can affect everyone's _____.

Let's talk about how to be a Street Smart _____.

SEAT BELTS SAVE LIVES

First up — _____ save lives. Period.

It is safest to be _____, no matter where in the car you are sitting. In a crash, unbelted passengers can _____ others in the car.

You don't get a _____ before a crash happens. Buckle up first thing.

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You are _____ as likely to be seriously injured in a crash if you're not wearing a seat belt.

BUCKLE UP. IT'S THE LAW!

Arkansas law makes it illegal to _____ or to be a _____ passenger without wearing a _____.

Yes, you really can be pulled over for not wearing it!

It's a good idea to buckle up in the _____ too. If you're under _____, you're breaking the law if you don't!

HOW TO WEAR YOUR SEAT BELT

It's not enough to hear the _____. Make sure you're wearing your seat belt _____.

Seat belts are designed to _____ force on two areas of the body — your _____ and your _____.

- The lap belt should be low across your _____, not over your _____.
- The shoulder belt should be across your _____, not behind your _____ or under your _____. If the strap is uncomfortable, you can use a padded seat belt cover.
- Make sure the seat belt is flat, not _____.

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- Sit up _____ in your seat. _____ or leaning can cause the seat belt to rest improperly on the body.

HELP THE DRIVER STAY FOCUSED

Drivers have a lot to manage — _____, _____, _____, other _____.

Your job as a _____? Don't make theirs harder.

Be a _____ co-pilot, not a _____ creator.

RIDING WITH NEW DRIVERS

If you're riding with a _____ driver, distractions are even _____ since they're still learning how to handle them.

- Keep conversations _____.
- Don't add _____ by criticizing or "backseat driving."
- Help them _____ the road.
- Treat the driver the way you'd want to be treated behind the _____.

PASSENGERS CAN BE DISTRACTING

Being a good passenger basically means being _____.

Help your driver focus by avoiding:

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| ▪ _____ | ▪ _____ |
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SPOTTING DISTRACTED DRIVING

Keep yourself and others _____ by not letting your driver get
_____ by these and any other distractions.

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Even a second of distraction can cause a deadly _____. Offer to help
the driver _____, send a text or change _____.

SPOTTING RECKLESS OR IMPAIRED DRIVING

You should also watch out for _____ or impaired driving.

Some warning signs:

1. Swerving or _____
2. _____ red lights or stop signs
3. _____ speech or _____ reaction time
4. Tailgating or being _____

It might be a friend, sibling, or even an _____. If something feels off,
trust your gut.

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WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

If a driver is acting distracted or dangerous:

- Speak up _____. Say something like:
 - “Want me to look up _____ for you?”
 - “Hey, I’m kind of _____ about how fast we’re going — can we slow down?”
- NEVER _____ the steering wheel.

IN A SERIOUS SITUATION:

- Ask to _____ or pretend to be sick.
- Call a _____ adult.
- Get out of the car _____ if possible.
- If needed — call _____.

SPEAKING UP ISN’T ALWAYS EASY

You might feel nervous correcting a friend or adult. That’s normal!

_____ > Awkward.

You can always say: “I just want to make sure we all get there _____.”

Cool people will _____ that — and thank you later.

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What does being a responsible passenger look like to you?
