

Ticket your Family



An activity for kids to learn how to recognize and speak up if someone is unsafe on the road.





Discuss with class - what do we use the roads for? What does it mean to be safe on the road?

- People getting around the community without being hurt.
- People are able to ride a bicycle or take a walk without being hurt.

What are some things we do to stay safe when we're walking or biking on the road?

Look both ways

Stay with grown-up



Listen for cars

**Wear a bicycle
helmet**





Discuss with class



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We're going to go through some examples. If you think what you're seeing is Safe, give me a thumbs up.
Let's practice. Everyone show me your thumbs up.



Now, if you think what you see is NOT safe, give me a thumbs down.
Show me your thumbs down.

If someone is doing something not safe and we know them and feel safe around them, we
can speak up and say something to them.

Safe or Not Safe?



Ok, so let's try it.

Here is our first one. Is this Safe or Not Safe? If you think it's Safe - give me a thumbs up.
If you think it's Not Safe, give me a thumbs down.



Show me your thumbs down.

Great job. The right answer is Not Safe.

We call this distracted driving because the driver is distracted by his phone.



Let's talk about this.

Why is distracted driving Not Safe?

Answers:

- If you're looking at a phone, you're not looking at the road
- When you're not paying attention/looking at the road, you can hit something or someone



What can you say if someone is driving distracted?

So what do you do if you're in a car and the driver starts using their phone? What can you say?

Discuss. Answers:

- Tell them how you feel. "I feel scared or nervous when you drive and use your phone."
- Ask them to stop or offer to help
 - Can you please wait to do that once we get home?
 - (Say their name) - get off your phone!
 - Can I help you send that?

If a grown-up is using their phone while they are driving, they are doing something dangerous and you have the right to speak up and ask them to stop.

Safe or Not Safe?



Ok, let's try this one. Safe or Not Safe?



Show me your thumbs down.

This is Not Safe because they weren't wearing seat belts.

(If needed, show picture again)



Why is riding without a seat belt Not Safe?

Answers:

- Seat belts keep you from being flown if you hit something
- You're safest when you are buckled in in case something happens on the road



What can you say if someone isn't wearing a seat belt?

What can you say if someone isn't wearing a seat belt in the car?

Discuss. Potential answers:

- Buckle up (say their name)!
- Please put on your seat belt - that's not safe.
- You forgot your seat belt!

Safe or Not Safe?



Here's another one. Is this Safe or Not Safe?



Now, if you think what you see is Safe, give me a thumbs up
Show me your thumbs up.

Great job! What do we call those white stripes in the road? A crosswalk! This is safe
because they were crossing the street at the crosswalk.



Why is it safe to use the crosswalk?

Answers:

- Drivers know to look for people at crosswalks
- Crosswalks are installed at the safest place to cross

**What can you say
if someone wants
to cross the road
without using the
crosswalk?**



What can you say if someone wants to cross the road without using the crosswalk?

Let's look at this picture. Do you see a crosswalk? There's a crosswalk here (*point it out*).

What if someone wants to cross here (*click to show little girl, click again to show red arrow*) instead of at the crosswalk here (*click to show green arrow*)?

What should we say?

Discuss. Potential answers:

- Let's cross over there at the crosswalk. It's safer!
- I want to cross at the crosswalk, it will be safer.
- We should use the crosswalk so drivers can see us better.

Safe or Not Safe?



Safe or Not Safe?



Now, if you think what you see is NOT safe, give me a thumbs down.
Show me your thumbs down.



Why is it safe to wear a bicycle helmet?

Answers:

- Helmets protect your head if you fall down or crash.
- Our brains are important and need to be protected.

Safe or Not Safe?



Safe or Not Safe?



Now, if you think what you see is NOT safe, give me a thumbs down.
Show me your thumbs down.



Why is it not safe to cross the road while you're looking at a phone or looking down?

Answers:

- You can't see if there is a car coming.
- You could run into something
- You could trip
- You need to be able to see cars coming



Let's talk about some other things we do to stay safe on the road.

Eye contact. This image says "Eyes meet before I cross the street"

Why do we make eye contact with drivers before we cross the streets?

Discuss:

- So we know that drivers can see us and will stop for us
- To make sure the driver is paying attention

**When we feel unsafe in a car or on
the road, we should speak up.**

**We'll practice this is with our
families.**





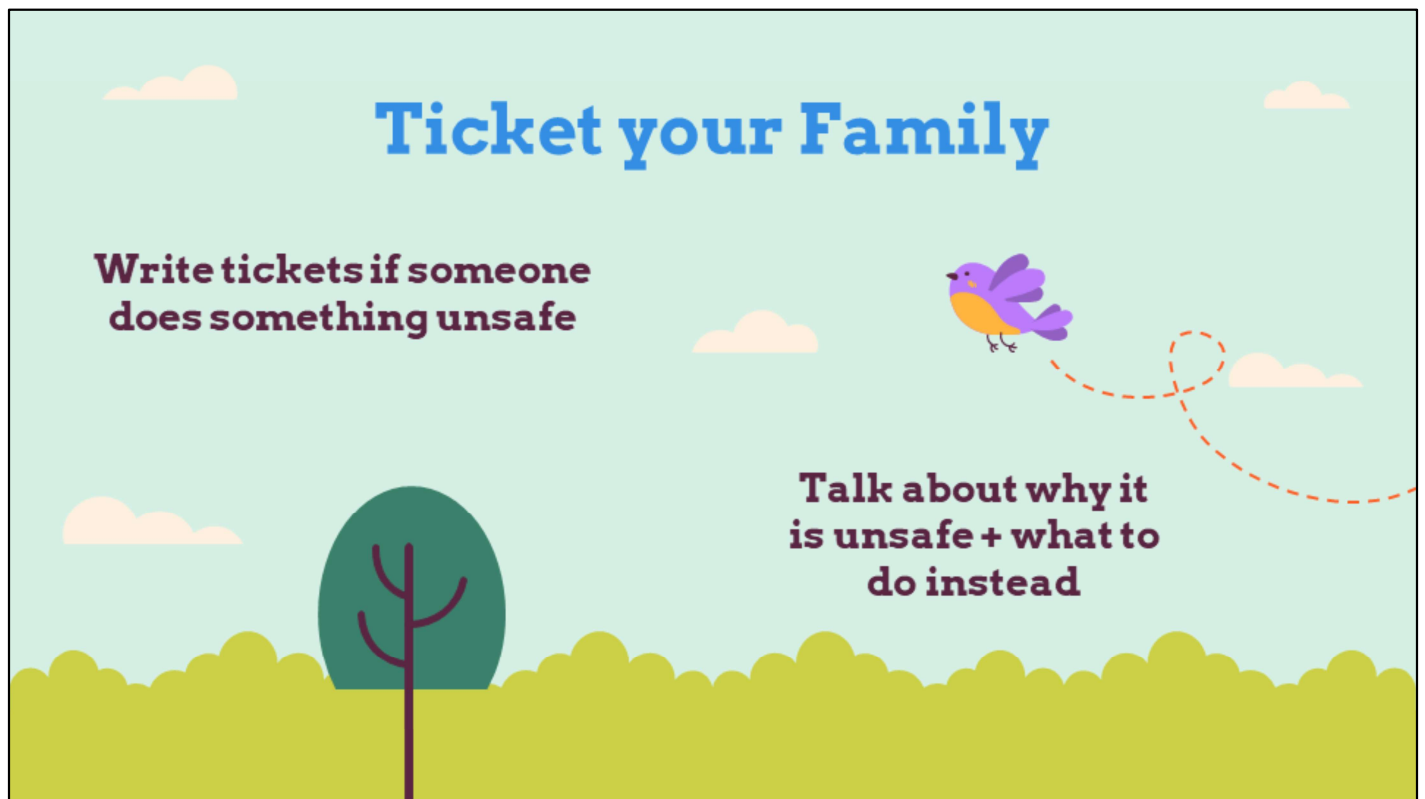
Who normally gives people tickets?

Police usually give tickets, but for this activity, we're going to give tickets.

Who can we give tickets to?

- Parents
- Grandparents
- Aunts/Uncles
- Grown-ups who drive, walk, or bike with you
- Brothers/sisters





Pass out copies of the tickets and go through the Ticket Your Family ticket with the class.

Examples of reasons to write tickets:

- Did not use available crosswalk
- Did not wear a helmet
- Didn't wear a seat belt
- Crossed street without looking both ways
- Did not yield to person walking
- Using cell phone while driving
- Did not make eye contact with driver before crossing the street

The first you'll do is notice - is someone doing something unsafe? (*give thumbs down*)

If someone is doing something unsafe, you'll write them a ticket. Then, you'll talk with them about why it is unsafe and what to do instead.



Give a few scenarios and have them practice writing a ticket:

- Your Mom is driving you to school and her phone rings. She picks it up.
- Your brother is walking with you to the store and starts to cross the road not at the crosswalk.
- You're riding with your friend to soccer practice but he isn't wearing a seat belt.



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