

Driving Attitude

# Examine personal attitudes, behaviors, and traits when driving

Supplies: Questionnaire.

Instructions:

How to score: the number of “no” answers you marked indicates how in or out of control you are. The higher the number, the less safe you are on the road.

1-3 “No’s” = Excellent

4-6 “No’s” = Good

7-9 “No’s” = Fair

10 or more “No’s” = Poor, work on your attitude

Rate Your Road Rage:

1. Yes No Overtake other vehicles on the left?

2. Yes No Avoid blocking passing lane?

3. Yes No Yield to faster traffic by moving to the right?

4. Yes No Maintain appropriate distance when following?

5. Yes No Allow appropriate distance when cutting in after passing?

6. Yes No Yield to pedestrians?

7. Yes No Approach intersections at slow speeds?

8. Yes No Follow right-of-way rules at four-way stops?

9. Yes No Drive below posted speed when conditions are hazardous?

10. Yes No Maintain speeds appropriate for conditions?

11. Yes No Use turn signals for turns and lane changes?

12. Yes No Use your horn sparingly?

13. Yes No Avoid unnecessary use of high-beam headlights?

14. Yes No Drive at the posted speed and in proper lanes?

15. Yes No Make slow, deliberate U-turns where legal?

16. Yes No Avoid returning inappropriate gestures?

17. Yes No Avoid racing with other drivers?

18. Yes No Try to get out of the way of aggressive drivers?

19. Yes No Focus on driving and avoid distracting activities?

20. Yes No Avoid driving when drowsy?

21. Yes No Avoid blocking the right-hand lane?

22. Yes No Avoid taking more than one parking space?

23. Yes No Avoid parking in a disabled space?

24. Yes No Avoid letting your door hit the car parked next to you?

25. Yes No Avoid “punishing” or retaliating against other drivers?

26. Yes No Avoid stopping in the road to talk with pedestrians or other drivers?

27. Yes No Avoid playing loud music near neighboring cars?

28. Yes No Stay calm in traffic jams?

29. Yes No Avoid cursing or making obscene gestures at other drivers?

# Define road rage and discuss ways people can avoid it

Supplies: Paper and pencil.

Instructions:

**Part 1**

Students develop a questionnaire to survey:

Parents, truck drivers at local rest stops, bus drivers, elderly drivers, seniors in high school

Keep track of the number of people that have been:

* Victim of road rage in past 4 weeks.
* Behavior displayed

Track:

* Time of day
* Locations

**Part 2**

Have students bring summary to class and share.

What conclusions, if any, can be drawn?