

Children Walking To and From Home



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Please take a few minutes to discuss the following points with your child and develop a plan.

NEVER get in a car with someone you don't know. Your parents will not send a stranger to get you. Establish a code word with your family so they know it's safe to go with a family member or a friend.

Stay away from any car or person who may ask you a question. Ignore them and move as quickly as you can from the person.

Adults do not ask children for help, ever; this is a warning sign that something is wrong.

A dangerous person may be male or female. Do not judge them by appearance even if they seem nice or are attractive.

Kick, scream, and draw as much attention as you can if someone grabs you.

Learn to say "NO" firmly. It is one of the most important words you will ever learn when it comes to your safety.

Walk to and from school with other children that live nearby. There is safety in numbers.

Make sure a house key remains hidden at all times since this may alert others that you may be home alone.

Do not wear clothes, backpacks, bags or accessories displaying your name.

Point out safe houses along the school route like fire stations or a trusted neighbor's home. Know where to run in case the situation calls for it.

Always pay attention to your surroundings. Do not look down at a phone while moving.

Have strict procedures on such things as going to and from school and where to go after events.

Trust your instincts; if it feels wrong, it probably is wrong. Only go to safe and secure locations that are familiar to you.



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