Pedestrian Safer Journey Middle School Quiz in English

1. **Which of these actions did the characters already know about walking safely?**
2. Walk on the sidewalk
3. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the side of the street facing traffic
4. Don’t push and shove when walking with others
5. All of the above

*ANSWER:*

*The characters knew all of these important pedestrian safety skills:*

* *Walk on the sidewalk*
* *If there is no sidewalk, walk on the right side of the street facing traffic*
* *Don’t push or shove when walking with others.*
1. **Talking with friends while walking can sometimes make it hard to pay attention to traffic. What else can be a distraction while walking?**
2. Listening to music using ear buds
3. Talking on a cell phone
4. Texting
5. All of the above

*ANSWER:*

*All of these can be distractions while walking:*

* *Listening to music using ear buds*
* *Talking or texting on a cell phone*
* *Talking with friends.*
1. **Your parent asked you to walk home from school with your younger brother who is seven years old. What should you do to help keep him safe?**
2. Make sure he stays close to you when walking on the sidewalk, and take his hand before crossing a street.
3. Carry his backpack.
4. Ask him about his day.

*ANSWER:*

*Tell your brother to stay close to you while walking. When crossing the street, take his hand so he waits to cross until you think it’s safe.*

1. **You’re walking and before you step off the curb, the walk signal changes from [IMAGE OF WALKING MAN] to [IMAGE OF FLASHING HAND WITH 10 SECONDS]. You should:**
2. Start running so that you can be sure to get across the street
3. Look all around to make sure no cars are coming, then cross the street
4. Stop and wait for the next walk signal

*ANSWER:*

*Stop and wait for the next walk signal. If the flashing hand is displayed before you step off the curb, you may not have enough time to make it all the way across the street before the signal changes.*

1. **Before crossing a street you know you’re supposed to stop and look for traffic, even if you are crossing at a crosswalk. But aren’t drivers supposed to stop for you? Why do you have to do all this stuff?**
2. Cars don’t have to stop for pedestrians.
3. Cars are bigger and move faster than you. No matter who is responsible, if you get hit while crossing a street, you’ll come out worse than the car.
4. Even though drivers are supposed to let you cross, sometimes they can’t see you or they get distracted.
5. Both b and c.

*ANSWER:*

*The answer is b and c. In most places, drivers are supposed to either stop for pedestrians in a crosswalk or slow down and let the pass, but:*

* *Sometimes drivers can get distracted or may not see you.*
* *Even if they do see you, they may not have time to stop.*

*Do not assume that drivers will stop for you.*

1. **You need to cross a street and there’s no corner nearby. There are cars parked on the street that make it hard for you to see traffic and for drivers to see you. What do you do?**
2. Look for cars as best you can then run quickly across the street.
3. Step to the edge of the parked cars and look again before walking across the street, continuing to look as you cross.
4. Keep walking as long as it takes to find a corner.

*ANSWER:*

* *Step to the edge of the parked cars and look again before walking across the street*
* *Continue to look for cars as you cross.*

*Before stepping in front of any parked car, if the car engine is running or the driver is in the car, make eye contact with the driver and wait to see if they move.*

1. **You’re waiting to cross at an intersection. Why do you need to look behind you and in front of you after looking left, right and left for traffic before stepping off the curb?**
2. To look for friends
3. To make sure bicyclists aren’t coming.
4. To make sure cars aren’t turning.
5. Both b and c.

*ANSWER:*

*Both b and c. Because cars and bicyclists could be coming from four different directions at an intersection, you need to look in all of those directions.*

1. **It’s late afternoon and it will start to get dark as you walk. What should you wear to help drivers see you?**
2. Bright clothes and/or reflective materials.
3. A coat and gloves.
4. Running shoes.

*ANSWER:*

*Wearing bright clothes and/or reflective materials will make it easier for drivers to see you when it’s getting dark.*