

PRESCHOOL - ELEMENTARY

Summertime means road trips. Whether it's a weekend getaway, a vacation, a visit to see family, or simply running errands, there's more "together in the car time" during summer. Make the most of your long or mini-road trips with these conversation prompts and activities.

Conversation Prompts:

- 1. What is the best part about the summertime? What part of summertime would you change?
- 2. What is something new you want to learn how to do this summer? How can I help make that happen?
- 3. If you could be any animal, which animal would you chose? Why?
- 4. When is the last time that you helped someone? How did it make you feel? Who is someone you can help today?
- 5. If you were granted three wishes, what would they be? (And more wishes can't be one!)
- 6. Describe the house you want to live in when you grow up. What kind of cool features would it have? A slide instead of stairs? A fridge that dispenses chocolate milk instead of ice and water?
- 7. If you were the parent for the day, what would we do?
- 8. If you could be a part of any movie, TV show, or book, which one would it be?

Activities:

- 1. Have a progressive fast food meal! Stop at one place and get an appetizer. Another place to get your entree. And a third place for dessert!
- 2. See who can be the first to spot a car from some of the colors in a crayon box—red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple.
- 3. Play the Alphabet game. See who can be the first person to spot something that starts with the letter "A." Then move on to "B," etc.
- 4. Choose something like sunglasses, hats, or even beards, and count the number of people you see wearing them—other drivers or people you see outside. Whoever spots the most, wins.





MIDDLE SCHOOL - HIGH SCHOOL

Summertime means road trips. Whether it's a weekend getaway, a vacation, a visit to see family, or simply running errands, there's more "together in the car time" during summer. Make the most of your long or mini-road trips with these conversation prompts and activities.

Conversation Prompts:

- 1. What is your favorite summertime memory? What made it special?
- 2. Who is a friend that you miss? What kinds of things did you two like to do together?
- 3. Describe your dream vacation.
- 4. If you could change your name, what would you change it to? Why?
- 5. What was the hardest thing you had to do this year? How did you get through it?
- 6. What are you good at? What do you want to get better at?
- 7. If you were stranded alone on an island with no electricity and no way to get off the island, what three things would you want to have with you?
- 8. What's something you miss about being a kid?

Activities:

- 1. Play 20 Questions. One person thinks of a character—someone famous. Everyone else takes turns asking yes or no questions to try to guess which character the person is thinking of. The person who guesses first wins.
- 2. Choose a theme for songs—songs about the summer, songs with a state in the lyrics, etc. Take turns going back and forth singing the chorus of a song that fits the theme. When one person is finished, the other person has five seconds to start singing a different song with the same theme. The person who runs out of song ideas first, loses.
- 3. Do a doughnut or ice cream taste-test. Stop at three different locations, getting the same item at each place. Then, compare which one of the three was your favorite.
- 4. Play the Name Ten game. One person selects a category. For example, fast food restaurants. Then, the other person must name ten things in that category. You could do sour candy, action films, one-hit-wonders, etc.

