Station 4: Driveway/Mid-block pullout skills



Crash avoidance: Riding into traffic. Stop completely, enter the road into the proper lane position, be predictable, learn driver habits.

Beginners:

- Let kids say when they think it is safe to go, adults remove barrier and give verbal confirmation
- Stop, with two feet on the ground, in a place where they can easily see all traffic
- Pull out carefully along right side of the road about three feet from the curb without swerving into the traffic lane



Advanced:

- Kids can decide in pairs if it is safe to go, adults give a verbal confirmation
- Slowly pull up close to the road entrance with a clear view of all traffic. Can you be seen?
- Pull out carefully into your lane
- Thumbs up and thank you wave

Drivers: Slow down. Expect kids to be everywhere. Kids often feel safe when they can't be seen, between parked cars or behind bushes, away from the road entrance. Know that younger kids often follow far behind older kids onto the street.

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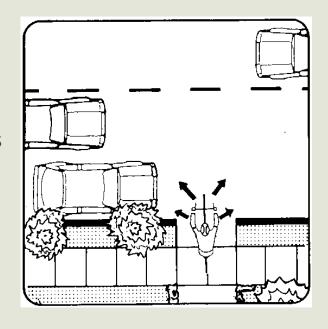


Crash avoidance: Do not enter the road when traffic is approaching. Be seen and predictable, do not swerve into traffic lanes, stay three feet from the curb.

Use a driveway on a quiet street, or a path that spills out of a park into the street.

Check to ensure:

- A complete stop
- Visibility of themselves
- Sightlines to see vehicles
- Look all ways: Left-right and left again, in front and behind
- Don't enter the road if one driver motions



Discuss:

- Show kids the difference of waiting where they can see and be seen vs hiding where they may feel safe
- Timing varies, judging speed is difficult
- Discuss driver habits, good AND bad

Make it fun: Use real vehicles parked to block the view. As a parent driving, show kids how it can be difficult to see. have kids help watch for others playing in driveways or parks and alert you to possible mid-block pullouts.

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