

FUMC ESL 4-2-2026

Announcement: Remember no in person class next Monday, April 6th. But we will have a zoom class on Monday if you would like to attend. The zoom link is:

<https://zoom.us/j/99605430754?pwd=ZFgzTU4zL29WWVducFFNUFJnanlkdz09>

If you can't make it work, email me and I'll email you a link.

Introduce yourself. Today we will talk about driving. Do you have a car? Do you enjoy driving in the U.S. or is it scary? What kind of car do you like best?

Students answer these questions about driving. Teachers, if the first student can't answer it, ask if any student knows the answer.

1. What is an access road?
2. What is an entrance ramp?
3. What do you do when you merge?
4. What is a divided highway? Do divided highways have medians?
5. What is the difference between pavement and gravel?
6. What is the difference between a freeway and a tollway?
7. What does yield right of way mean?
8. How do you make a u turn?
9. What is a cul-de-sac?
10. What is a detour?
11. What is a traffic circle?
12. What does this traffic sign mean: No parking on shoulder.
13. What is painted on the street where there is a pedestrian crossing? Hint: In the UK, it is called a zebra crossing. Do pedestrians or cars have the right of way in a pedestrian crossing?
14. What does double park mean?
15. When your car is inspected, the mechanic will check your cars emissions. What does that mean?

Discussion:

- a. Does the kind of car a person drives tell anything about their personality?
- b. Do you allow people to eat in your car?
- c. Are seat belts and child safety seats required in your country?
- d. Would you rather drive or be driven?
- e. Do you carpool often?
- f. Are people more rude when they are driving than walking?

- g. Should people over 80 have to surrender their driver's license? Does your country require old people to give up their license?
- h. Should there be a penalty for driving while texting? Is this something everyone does in your country?
- i. If a policeman stops you and tries to give you a ticket, should you offer him or her some money to tear up the ticket? Is this OK to do in your country?
- j. Do most people in your country follow the driving signs and laws? Do most Americans follow the signs and laws?
- k. Explain this sentence: In rush hour, the traffic is frequently bumper to bumper.
- l. How do you feel about driving in heavy traffic.
- m. On interstate 10 in west Texas, the speed limit is 80 mph. Do you think this is too fast. What is the speed limit in your country for highways?
- n. Does it scare you when someone tailgates? What do you do about it?
- o. Interstate 35 has many large trucks. Do you mind driving on a road where there are big trucks?
- p. Do you prefer being the driver or the rider?
- q. Are you a back seat driver? Do you think you are a better driver than your spouse?
- r. What are speed bumps? What are they designed to do?