

**Pick a Word**

Use the word or words in the box that matches each statement below.

legend	navigating	safety chains
map scale	recreational vehicle	

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Camper or self-contained motor home primarily used for vacation
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Following routes by reading a road map
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. A chart that explains markings and symbols used on a map
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Shows the number of miles per inch on a map
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Keeps a trailer from breaking loose from a vehicle if the trailer becomes unhitched

**Test Your Knowledge**

Check true or false for each statement below.

- 1. Always carry a spare can of fuel when traveling on a long-distance trip.
- 2. In order to stay alert on a long-distance trip, take a break every two hours.
- 3. Your front view is reduced when driving a recreational vehicle.
- 4. The safest way to back a recreational vehicle is to sound the horn and check the outside mirrors often.
- 5. Use the 4-second following rule when driving a recreational vehicle.
- 6. Drivers often fail to observe reduced height and width signs when driving large vehicles such as motor homes.
- 7. Recreational vehicles hold the roadway better in windy conditions because of their size and weight.
- 8. Pulling a trailer increases a vehicle's fuel economy because of the tire's increased pressure.
- 9. When loading a trailer, put about 10 percent of the total weight on the hitch of the trailer.
- 10. If a trailer starts to fishtail, apply the brakes hard and steer toward the shoulder of the roadway.
- 11. When towing a trailer, allow twice as much distance to pass.
- 12. On a long-distance trip, the safest maximum distance to drive each day is 400 miles.

	True	False
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**Use Trip Planning Skills**

Read the following story. Choose an action from the list to the right for each situation presented below. You will use some action responses more than once.

*You are staying with a friend in an unfamiliar area. You must arrive for a job interview early in the morning at an office ten miles away from your friend's house.*

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Your friend tells you that the area has an hour-long rush hour.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The weather forecast is for a temperature of 10 degrees below zero.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The weather forecast is for a warm, sunny, and clear day.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The weather forecast is for foggy weather with poor visibility.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The traffic report says there will be heavy traffic as usual, but no delays.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. The traffic report says that a roadway you will use is blocked by three separate collisions.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. While making a routine check, you find your tire pressure is low.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. You forgot to get fuel the night before, and you are almost on "empty" and need to fill up.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. The route you have selected to get to the interview has many uncontrolled intersections.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. You miss the street on which the company you are visiting is located.

- A. Allow more travel time.
- B. Drive slowly for the first few miles to warm up the car.
- C. Proceed as planned.
- D. Choose another route.
- E. Check tire pressure; add air.
- F. Allow time to stop for fuel.
- G. Drive around the block.

**Using Skills**

Complete the sentences by writing in the missing words below.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Have your car serviced at least \_\_\_\_\_ before a long-distance trip.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Inflate tires to the \_\_\_\_\_ recommended pressure before carrying heavy loads in your car.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. On a long trip, eat \_\_\_\_\_ food than usual.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. To save fuel, combine several \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Today trip planning can be done by surfing the \_\_\_\_\_.

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