

Laws Keep Us Safe

Read how people show respect for community laws.

2.1.e "respecting and following laws;"

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the two sentences that tell what people must do to follow a law. Circle one reason that following laws helps people.

Officer Chen's Visit

- ① On Monday, Officer Chen visited Ms. Ruiz's class. She explained that laws are rules made by government leaders to help keep people safe and treat people fairly. People show respect for laws when they follow them, even when no adult is watching.
- ② Officer Chen gave a street example. At a red traffic light, drivers must stop. At a green light, drivers may go when the way is clear. Stopping at red lights protects people walking, riding, and driving.
- ③ She also described riding in a car. Everyone must wear a seat belt. Maya said she clicks her belt before the car moves. If a law is hard to follow, people can ask for help, but they still should obey it.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 What must drivers do at a red traffic light?

2 How does stopping at a red light help people?

3 What law does Maya follow before the car moves?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Imagine you are getting ready for a car ride. Write two sentences. Tell how you will follow the seat-belt law and how following it helps keep people safe.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the two sentences that tell what people must do to follow a law. Circle one reason that following laws helps people. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What must drivers do at a red traffic light?	Drivers must stop.
2	How does stopping at a red light help people?	It protects people who are walking, riding, and driving.
3	What law does Maya follow before the car moves?	She wears, or clicks, her seat belt.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Before our car starts, I will click my seat belt. Wearing it follows the law and can help keep me safe.

Accept answers that name wearing a seat belt before the car moves and explain that it helps keep people safe. Students may use their own clear wording.