



- ▶ Obey traffic signals and/or traffic officers.
- ▶ Always use crosswalks whenever they are available.
- ▶ Never walk or run directly into the street.
- ▶ Stop at the curb or at the edge of the road before crossing.
- ▶ Look **LEFT-RIGHT-LEFT** to make sure the road is clear **BEFORE** you cross the street.
- ▶ Make eye contact with the driver(s) so they see you before you begin to cross.
- ▶ Watch for cars backing out of parking spaces and driveways.
- ▶ Always use sidewalks whenever they are available.
- ▶ When sidewalks are unavailable, walk on the left side of the road, facing traffic.

Remember: Drivers are required by law to take great care to avoid hitting pedestrians.

## Stranger Danger Safety

### Remind children:

- Stay with a group.
- If a stranger offers you a ride, say **“NO!”**
- If a stranger follows you on foot, get away from him or her as quickly as you can. If a stranger follows you in a car, turn around and go the other direction.
- Never leave school with a stranger.
- Tell a trusted adult if a stranger is hanging around the school, playground, or public restroom.
- *Leave* items and clothing that display your name, so that a stranger can read it, *at home*.
- If you arrive home alone, call your mother, father, or other trusted adult to let them know you are home and all right. Keep the door locked, don't open the door for strangers, and don't tell strangers that you are home alone.
- *Never* accept things from a stranger.
- If a stranger asks you a question, *don't talk*. Run away.
- Don't go anywhere with a stranger.

*A great resource for teaching and practicing safety with your children is the National SAFE KIDS campaign ([www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org))*