

# ***Lesson Plan: No Thanks. I'll walk!***

## ***Objective:***

Student will be able to recognize a potentially dangerous situation and react appropriately.

## ***Common Core State Standards:***

Speaking and Listening  
Language Standards

## ***Materials***

*DVD No thanks, I'll walk.*

## ***Introduction:***

*The Teacher or Presenter might say:* How many of you take the bus to school? How many of you ride your bikes to school? How many of you are driven by your parents or guardians? How many of you walk to school? How many of you are allowed to walk to school by yourself? When you are permitted to walk to school all alone, well, that is a really big deal. That is a very big responsibility. You are in charge of your own safety. What are some rules your family asks you to follow when walking somewhere all alone. (Teacher elicits and lists answers for class to see. These might include *Walk on the sidewalk; Walk facing traffic; Cross at corners, not between parked cars; Don't walk on other peoples' property; Don't talk to strangers; etc.*). Keep these rules in mind while we watch this video.

## ***Procedure:***

*The Teacher or Presenter might say:* Have you ever heard about something like this? Wow! Let's see if you can remember about the situation the student found himself in.

- The driver of the car called the boy by name.
- He told the boy he knew his parents.
- He also told the boy he met him when he was little.

- He told the boy his name (*Mr. Rhee, or mystery*). The boy did not know him.
- The man wanted him to get in the car.
- Why didn't he get in the car?
- What did Matt and Smarty ask the boy?
- What did Matt write down on the paper?
- Matt made a phone call. Whom did he call?
- Why do YOU think you shouldn't get into the car of someone you don't know?

A stranger is someone you have never met. You know nothing about them. If you don't know anything about them, you have to stay away from them. If you don't know them, you cannot go with them! It doesn't matter what they say or offer to give to you!

If a stranger in a car or a van calls out to you, asks you to come closer to their vehicle, says that he/she needs directions to some location, asks you to get in their car for any reason,

- STOP!
- DO NOT GET ANY CLOSER TO THE VEHICLE!
- RUN RIGHT AWAY TO YOUR HOME OR ONE OF A TRUSTEED ADULT!
- ALWAYS TELL PARENTS OR GUARDIANS ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED.

Remember, R-U-N! RECOGNIZE this is a very, very dangerous, UNSAFE situation where you may NEVER go with someone you do not know. It's very simple: *If I don't know, I don't go!* Say that after me: *If I don't know, I don't go!*

**Summary:** Sometimes our school district tells all the parents and guardians of the students about someone in a van or a car trying to get a child to get into the vehicle with them. Talk about this with your parents. Practice the safety phrase with your family: If I don't know, I don't go! ***IF I DON'T KNOW, I DON'T GO!***

