The Role of Drivers

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Exercise 1- Listen to the podcast and fill in the blanks.

A type of accident that happens a lot is road accidents. Sometimes they don't 1) _____ people or damage cars a lot. We call these minor accidents because they are not serious. In a major accident, cars are damaged a lot or people are badly 2) _____. Major accidents are awful.

There are many reasons that accidents happen. In my opinion, the most important factor to 3) _____ accidents is the driver. I believe drivers can make a lot of differences. I know that we need better roads or cars, but a good 4) _____ can make up for these. When I drive on a bad road, I can drive more slowly to have a better control over my car. When I drive with a car which is not safe, I can drive with more care. When I drive in a 5) _____ street, I don't drive fast.

I'm sure drivers can do a lot of things to prevent accidents. Prevent an accident means to stop an accident from happening. For example, a driver can 6) _____ the traffic rules. A traffic rule tells us to drive with a reasonable speed or fasten our seatbelts. A responsible driver knows the rules. They 7) _____ them. They don't break the rules, so no accidents happen when they drive. Even if an accident happens, it is certainly a minor one.

A good driver also pays attention to their 8) _____ and condition. When he or she is sleepy, they do not use their personal car. They take a taxi or ask a friend to give them a ride. Plus, when they are sick, they need to take some 9) _____. Most medicines can make people sleepy. It is written on these types of medicine not to drive, so a good driver who has to take such drugs will use the public 10) _____.

Finally, a good driver tries to drive the car carefully. They drive with a good speed. They know speeding is not safe and an 11) _____ may happen. When people feel stressed or angry, their driving becomes bad. They can make mistakes and have accidents. So people must try to keep calm and drive 12) _____.

Check your answers.

A type of accident that happens a lot is road accidents. Sometimes they don't **1) hurt** people or damage cars a lot. We call these minor accidents because they are not serious. In a major accident, cars are damaged a lot or people are badly **2) injured**. Major accidents are awful.

There are many reasons that accidents happen. In my opinion, the most important factor to **3) prevent** accidents is the driver. I believe drivers can make a lot of differences. I know that we need better roads or cars, but a good **4) driver** can make up for these. When I drive on a bad road, I can drive more slowly to have a better control over my car. When I drive with a car which is not safe, I can drive with more care. When I drive in a **5) crowded** street, I don't drive fast.

I'm sure drivers can do a lot of things to prevent accidents. Prevent an accident means to stop an accident from happening. For example, a driver can **6) respect** the traffic rules. A traffic rule tells us to drive with a reasonable speed or fasten our seatbelts. A responsible driver knows the rules. They **7) understand** them. They don't break the rules, so no accidents happen when they drive. Even if an accident happens, it is certainly a minor one.

A good driver also pays attention to their **8) health** and condition. When he or she is sleepy, they do not use their personal car. They take a taxi or ask a friend to give them a ride. Plus, when they are sick, they need to take some **9) medicine**. Most medicines can make people sleepy. It is written on these types of medicine not to drive, so a good driver who has to take such drugs will use the public **10) transport**.

Finally, a good driver tries to drive the car carefully. They drive with a good speed. They know speeding is not safe and an **11) accident** may happen. When people feel stressed or angry, their driving becomes bad. They can make mistakes and have accidents. So people must try to keep calm and drive **12) safely**.

Exercise 2- Order the words in italics to make correct sentences.

1. A type of accident that *accidents- a- is- road- lot- road*.
2. I believe drivers can *lot- differences- a- of- make*.
3. Drivers can *to- things- a- do- of- lot* prevent accidents
4. They don't *rules- break- so- no- the* accidents happen when they drive.
5. Most medicines *sleepy- make- can- people*.
6. A good *to- driver- drive-tries* the car carefully.
7. They can *have- make- accidents- mistake- and*.

Exercise 2- Check your answers.

1. A type of accident that happens ***a lot is road accidents***.
2. I believe drivers can ***make a lot of differences***.
3. Drivers can ***do a lot of things to*** prevent accidents
4. They don't ***break the rules, so no*** accidents happen when they drive.
5. Most medicines ***can make people sleepy***.
6. A good ***driver tries to drive*** the car carefully.
7. They can ***make mistakes and have accidents***.