

1. **TRUE.**
2. **FALSE.** Some states provide that a minor shall be treated as an adult for motor vehicle offenses.
3. **FALSE.** If the state juvenile court determines that a minor can be treated as an adult.
4. **TRUE.** You may be fined or imprisoned or both.
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6. **FALSE.** Many states consider possession as much of an offense as purchase.
7. **TRUE.**
8. **FALSE.** Most insurance rates are directly upwardly affected by an accident.
9. **TRUE.**
10. **TRUE.**
11. **FALSE.** Coffee can help keep you awake, but it won't improve your judgement or sharpen your reactions.
12. **TRUE.**

**Think Twice...about driving**

THE ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM

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## Before you take to the open road think twice...



For Driver Education Classes,  
State Driver License Facilities, Etc.

## ...about Drinking and Driving.



You passed your driver's test. You have your first license. You're ready to take to the open road by yourself.

Like the great majority of experienced drivers, you'll approach this privilege seriously—and consider the new areas of responsibility that come with your license.

Drinking and driving, for example. That dangerous combination is a constant threat to highway safety. Drinking may be a factor in as many as 50 percent of fatal motor vehicle accidents. Why? Because so many persons disregard what is still the soundest advice, "If you drink, don't drive." Or because so many think it's smart to have "just one more for the road."

It's best for you to face such realities. Drive defensively. Follow the rules of the road. Think about the safety of your passengers and other motorists. Know and observe the laws (they differ from state to state); avoid the consequences of breaking them...There are many things for both beginning and experienced drivers to consider.

### What about these risks?

You'll find, in all states, that the law is clear on drinking and driving. If, for instance, you have your license but are under the minimum drinking age in your state, you cannot legally drink alcohol beverages.

Before you risk any drinking/driving violations, ask yourself:

1. Could I lose my driver's license?
2. Could I be subject to fines? Imprisonment? Higher car insurance?

Those and other questions are covered in the True and False test on the next page. If you get even one wrong, you had better think twice before you take to the open road.

## CHECK YOURSELF

Check **TRUE** or **FALSE** beside each statement. Answers are on the back page.

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1. All states prohibit driving under the influence of alcohol.
2. A 16- or 17-year old person who commits a moving traffic violation would be treated differently from an adult offender.
3. By law, it is never possible for a person under 18 to be sentenced to prison.
4. If, while driving, you are at fault injuring someone and drive away without stopping, you may have committed a criminal offense.
5. If you are arrested as DWI (Driving While Intoxicated), you can lose your license and be subjected to a fine, but you cannot be imprisoned.
6. It's always legal for a minor to have alcohol beverages in the car if the beverages have been purchased by someone of legal age.
7. Highest proportion of alcohol-related accidents occur in the 21-24 age group.
8. If you cause an accident while driving, your car insurance rates will not be affected.
9. Under certain circumstances, one drink may affect a driver's judgement, resulting in such things as running through a red light, passing on a curve, speeding.
10. Consumption of alcohol by persons riding with you constitutes a public offense in many states.
11. If you have been drinking at a party, coffee will sober you up quickly before you drive.
12. You can be sentenced to jail for drag racing on public streets or highways.