

**Personalized**

**Feedback**

**Report**

Prepared for **Mary Jo Driver**

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**Name:** Mary Jo Driver

**Age:** 16 years

**Driver status:** License permit

**Date completed:** December 20, 2020

**Location taken:** Anytown Driving School, LLC

## Welcome to your Safe Driving Skills Report.

**Please read through these first two pages** – they will provide you with important background information on the test you’ve just taken, and give you useful context for how to think about your results.

*Ready-Assess™* is an educational tool and should not replace the advice of a certified driving instructor. We encourage you to share this report with a driving instructor, and/or your parents, and guardians. Your results and personalized action plan are detailed in the pages below.

## Thank you for caring about being a safer driver.

Nearly 1-in-5 new drivers get into a crash soon after obtaining their driver’s license and we don’t want that to happen to you.

Developed by scientists from the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, *Ready-Assess™* is a way to measure your driving skills, specifically focusing on the skills you need to avoid crashes. Whether you are preparing to get your license, or already have one, we hope this report provides you with useful information as you continue on your journey of becoming a safer and independent driver.

## What Does *Ready-Assess™* do?

*Ready-Assess™* specifically tests your skills at avoiding crashes that are highly common and cause injuries to both new and adult drivers.

- You may not have realized it, but in the drive you completed, we exposed you to common crash scenarios shown to result in serious injuries to drivers like you – scenarios like following other vehicles, handling curves, and managing intersections when there is traffic.
- In your feedback you’ll see how you performed compared to over 50,000 other people like you who have completed this exact same test.
- And you will learn more about where your skills are strong, and where you still have room for improvement.

## Before we continue, let's first manage some expectations...

*Ready-Assess™* is not meant to test your skills on the basics of how to operate a vehicle or replicate exactly what it feels like to drive in a real car. We understand that this "drive" actually took place on a computer.

You may have felt that *Ready-Assess™* was "harder" than you expected. Or perhaps you thought, "How is this testing my skills?" or "Based on this test, I must be a terrible driver".

If you did, don't worry.

- We know that the steering wheels and pedals were a little more sensitive than you are used to.
- Because of that sensitivity you may have felt as if you had a little trouble controlling the car.

**And that's OK.** Because for this test we are not concerned with how "smoothly" you turned or how "perfectly" you stayed in the lane. What we really care about is:

- How do you make safe decisions when you drive?
- Do you recognize potential hazards on the road and adjust your driving behaviors in the moment?

Remember, we are comparing your performance to lots of other drivers who completed this very same test. Many of them had the same experiences with this test as you did.

At the end of the day, it's not about "doing better than everyone else". It's about knowing that you always have room for improvement to become an even safer driver and (no pun intended) we are just trying to steer you in the right direction.

# Your Overall Performance

## Borderline unsafe. Needs work.

Your performance is slightly below average compared to other drivers in your peer group.

- ✓ 1 Collision with a vehicle
- ✓ 1 Near collision
- ✓ 4 Driving infractions



### Performance In Common & Serious Crash Scenarios:

HANDLED WELL	NEEDS WORK	
	⊗	1. Following other vehicles (rear-end)
	⊗	2. Negotiating curves (driving off the road)
✓		3. Driving straight & too fast for conditions (driving off the road)
✓		4. Managing intersections with traffic (turn & timing-related collisions)
✓		5. Other areas of the drive (beyond the four scenarios)

## Your Detailed Results

**Avoiding collisions and having the skills to make good decisions in dangerous situations is an important part of being a safe driver.** But even when you've done many things right, there are always things to keep in mind or work on to be as safe as you can when you're out on the road.






On the next page you'll see a detailed breakdown of your performance across common crash scenarios – those most in need of work but also those where you drove with relative safety.

You will also see feedback on aspects of driving that will help make you a safer driver, even if they were not related to a specific crash scenario.

### SECTIONS TO FOLLOW:

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# Performance in Common Crash Scenarios

Crash Scenario	Crashed	Almost Crashed	Things to work on
 <p><b>Following Vehicles</b> Rear-end crash</p>	1	0	<p><b>NEEDS WORK</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintaining a safe following distance</li> <li>• Anticipating vehicle in front of you stopping suddenly</li> <li>• Practicing safe speed management</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Negotiating Curves</b> Driving off the road</p>	0	1	<p><b>NEEDS WORK</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Going too fast headed into the curve</li> <li>• Maintaining speed as you enter the curve</li> <li>• Scanning the road ahead</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Driving Straight and Too Fast</b> Driving off the road</p>	0	0	<p><b>HANDLED WELL / KEEP IN MIND</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintaining a safe following distance</li> <li>• Anticipating vehicle in front of you stopping suddenly</li> <li>• Practicing safe speed management</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Managing Intersections</b> Turn &amp; Timing-related collisions</p>	0	0	<p><b>HANDLED WELL / KEEP IN MIND</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Don't enter an intersection unless there is enough room to get all the way through it</li> <li>• Be sure to yield to oncoming vehicles</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Other Areas of Drive</b> Beyond the 4 main ones above</p>	0	0	<p><b>HANDLED WELL / KEEP IN MIND</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintaining a safe following distance</li> <li>• Anticipating vehicle in front of you stopping suddenly</li> <li>• Practicing safe speed management</li> </ul>

## Specific Driving Infractions

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### Tips for Avoiding Them in the Future



Not scanning for potential or hidden hazards

#### TIP

*Be sure to always scan your surroundings and try to anticipate when a hazard may enter the road in your path.*



Driving through a stop sign

#### TIP

*Be sure to always come to a complete stop at stop signs and scan in all directions for vehicles, pedestrians or hazards to determine when it is safe to proceed.*



School-zone speed limit violation

#### TIP

*Remember that speed limits drop on roads that pass areas with school children. This lower limit generally extends for some distance beyond the school.*



Not yielding for pedestrians at a crosswalk

#### TIP

*Pedestrians always have the right-of-way at posted crosswalks. Come to a complete stop and give the benefit of the doubt to those about to cross.*

## General Comments & Advice

### Basic skills:

You are starting to gain some early skills around vehicle operations, like stopping and maintaining a constant speed.

#### TIP:

Once you become skilled at smooth driving, it is important to focus on more complex skills that are important for becoming a safe, skilled driver who is less likely to crash. Practice driving on a variety of routes and roads in different types of road conditions and weather. For more information about driving environments, our logging tool and goal guide, see Teen Driving Plan - [www.teendriversource.org/learning-to-drive/practice-driving-lessons/driving-environments](http://www.teendriversource.org/learning-to-drive/practice-driving-lessons/driving-environments)

### Skills for safe driving:

You did not consistently scan the road to find hazards.  
You did not consistently follow other vehicles at a safe distance.

#### TIP:

One of the most important skills to learn is how to scan the road to identify hazards and be far enough behind other vehicles to have enough time to react. To learn more about safe driving skills, including improving scanning behavior (anticipation of roadway hazards at intersections; pedestrian crosswalks; curves) and following distance, see the TeenDrivingPlan YouTube channel useful. Two particularly relevant videos are:

- Scanning, particularly this video on scanning: [youtu.be/prEaiDw-ZJI](https://youtu.be/prEaiDw-ZJI)
- Space cushions: see video on space cushions: [youtu.be/ye-zGn9aqys](https://youtu.be/ye-zGn9aqys)

### Experience:

You accurately recognized that you have areas for improvement to learn in order to become a safer driver. Even once you learn the skills, it takes many hours of driving to learn how to put these skills together to avoid crashes.

#### TIP:

It is important for novice drivers to maintain focus as driving is a new skill - minimize anything that takes your attention away from the road: passengers, electronics and other distractions. For more information on safe driving, see [TeenDriverSource.org](http://TeenDriverSource.org), including [www.teendriversource.org/teen-crash-risks-prevention/car-accident-prevention](http://www.teendriversource.org/teen-crash-risks-prevention/car-accident-prevention)