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Title: Stop daydreaming and focus on driving!

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A new study shows that drivers in the United States who daydream are five times more likely to be in a serious accident than drivers who are using their cell phones or texting while they are driving. A study of 65,000 fatal accidents in the last two years showed that only 10 percent of them were caused by distracted driving (cell phones). Sixty-two percent were caused by drivers who were "lost in thought". Some of these accidents were caused by people running into the back of the car in front of them, running a red light, or failing to negotiate a curve in the road. Others were caused by distractions of children and pets in the car, eating or drinking while driving, reaching for a fallen object, and rubbernecking. Some drivers even used the Internet while they were driving.

Comment [S1]: Who / Where

Comment [S2]: What

Comment [S3]: When

Comment [S4]: Why

Comment [S5]: Why I chose this article

I chose this article because I sometimes daydream while driving. In addition, I sometimes use my cell phone while I drive even though I know it is illegal. I was surprised to read that most fatal accidents are caused by distractions other than cell phone use. I agree that drivers should do everything they can to be careful, so no one gets hurt.

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