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For a lot of parents, and for a lot of kids, drive time is a necessary evil we have to endure before arriving at our final destination: the grandparents house, the soccer game, the carpool line, the grocery store, church, or wherever else. But drive time can become an opportunity when we infuse meaning into the every day moments we have with our kids.

When you think about it, time in the car is packed full of potential. You are literally stuck in the same space with your kids as you drive from point A to point B. But this doesn't have to be a death sentence. In fact, if you turn down the radio, turn off the DVD player, and use it as a time to connect with your kids, you may find yourself wishing for more (maybe not a twelve-hour drive, but you get the idea).

Drive time is also a non-threatening way to spend time with your kids. You can avoid eye contact—which eliminates a lot of pressure—and use distractions

to your advantage, allowing you to interact in a really casual way. The goal is to enter *their* world, talk about the stuff *they* love, letting your kids set the agenda for the conversation.

Don't think of the time you're driving in the car as wasted time until you get where you're going, but use these extra minutes as if they are a gift. Make them count by getting into their world. You can start by learning to ask good questions:

What movies do you want to see?
What was the best part of your day?
The worst?
What are you most looking forward to about where we are headed?
Did anything funny happen today?
Did anything surprising happen?

For some of us, a win is just turning off the DVD player, and turning town the sports radio. Even if magic doesn't happen during drive time, at least give it the space. And you'll likely find that some of your best conversations with your kids, and most revealing, will happen in the car.

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