The Right Seat
Fits the child - fits the vehicle - is used correctly on every trip

Rear-Facing Only and Convertible Seats
- Never in front of an airbag
- Rear-face until child reaches upper weight or height limit of car seat set by manufacturer
- Harness snug and at or below shoulders
- Chest clip at armpit level
- Attach to vehicle with seat belt or lower anchors
- Don’t add anything extra to the seat

Forward Facing Seats with Harnesses
- Use 5-point harness to upper weight or height limit of seat
- Up to 40-90 pounds
- Harness snug and at or above shoulders
- Chest clip at armpit level
- Attach to vehicle with top tether strap and seat belt or lower anchors
- Check the side of the car seat for the highest weight allowed to use lower anchors

Booster Seats
- Until 4’ 9” and 8-12 years
- Always use lap/shoulder seat belt
- Never put shoulder belt behind back or under arm
- Use highback booster for vehicle seats without a headrest

Adult Size Seat Belts
- Back straight against vehicle seat and knees bent at seat edge
- Shoulder belt across chest, not neck or throat
- Lap belt low and snug across upper thighs, not stomach
- Children younger than 13 should always ride in back seat

Always read car seat and vehicle manuals for specific directions.
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