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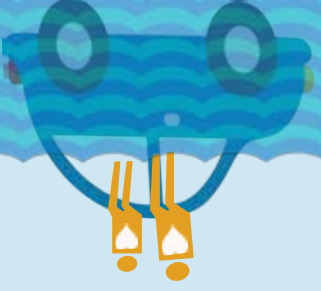
**10% of all drownings** occur in vehicles

**400 North Americans** will drown in their vehicles this year

The time that a vehicle floats on the water surface is **3 minutes**

The time you have to exit safely is **1 minute**

Find out how to escape **MORE THIS WAY**



## How to escape from a **SINKING CAR**



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If your car goes into water  
**DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO?**

**1 MINUTE CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE**

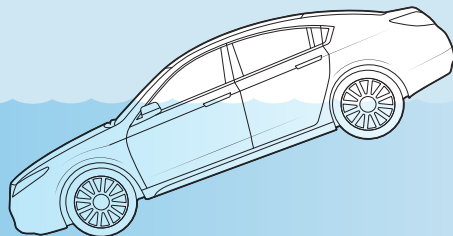


**DON'T PANIC!**  
STAY CALM

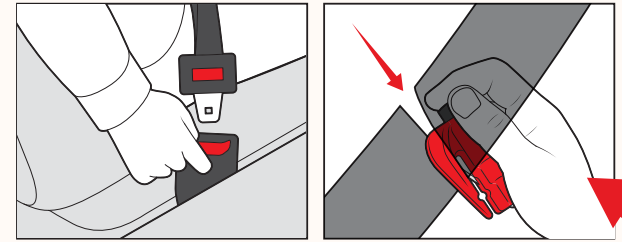


SAVE TIME!  
**DON'T TOUCH YOUR  
CELL PHONE!**

**FOCUS ON FINDING A WAY OUT**

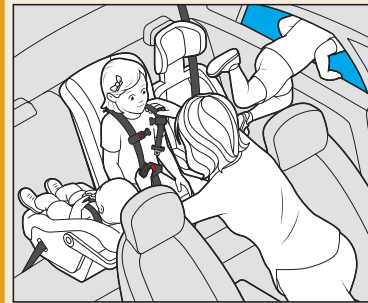
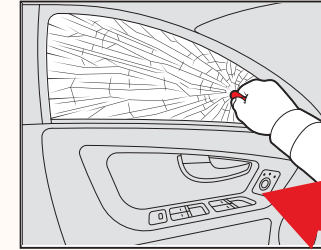
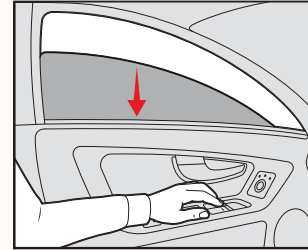


## FOLLOW THESE **3 STEPS**



**① SEATBELTS** off or cut

**② WINDOWS** open or break



**③ CHILDREN**  
Undo their restraints. Oldest to youngest

**OUT**  
Through the window. Children first.  
Then climb on the roof to: wait for  
help, or prepare to swim to shore.

