

Great Family Vacations

The Key To Fun Family Road Trips

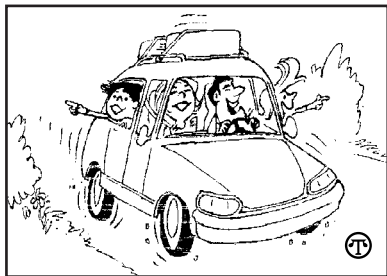
(NAPSA)—Experts say the key to fun—and peaceful—family road trips is to put the brakes on kids' boredom. That's where the right games can come in. Try these road trip classics:

- **Counting Cows**—Play as individuals or teams. First, decide on a destination where you will stop counting. Then, count the cows on your side of the road. The goal is to have the highest number when the destination is reached. Pass a cemetery on your side and you have to start over again. If there aren't any cows on your route, try counting red cars, mailboxes or phone booths.

- **Twenty Questions**—One player thinks of a famous person, place or thing. Everyone else gets to ask the player 20 questions, which must be answered "yes" or "no." Whoever guesses correctly gets a turn to think up something.

- **Geography**—Start with any place in the world—Kansas, for example. The next person has to think of a place that begins with the last letter of "Kansas," such as "South Africa." Whoever goes next needs a place that starts with an "A." You may not use the same place twice in a game—and it has to be a real place.

For more games and travel ideas, try hitting the Net. For instance, FamilyFun.com features



Family Travel Tip: The right games can help time in the car fly by.

dozens of games (including the ones listed above) and travel tips that can help make time in a car fly by—as well as printable versions of Backseat Boredom Busters and Games-on-the-Go Activity Packs.

The site also features a section that lets families plan out fun stops for their road trip before leaving home. It highlights interesting tours to take; zoos, aquariums and museums to visit; fun roadside activities and more. The section can be a good tool for planning trips. Families looking to rough it while on the road may want to check out the site's listing of family camps, outdoor adventures, national parks, and hiking and backpacking destinations.

For more information, visit www.familyfun.com/travel.