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### Arrive Alive

George was scrambling trying to force socks on his wet feet. This is the second time this week George has showered at his friend's apartment because the water at his apartment was shut off. George was furious. Why on the biggest day of his life everything decides to go against him. George had an interview with one of the biggest companies in the nation. If he got the job he would make millions. This job would change his life, he couldn't blow it. The worst impression he could make was to be late for the interview. He would never get the job if he was late.

George quickly drove back to his apartment to grab some coffee and a breakfast sandwich he had made the night before. He then hurried out the door and got on the road. He knew if he had any chance of getting the job, he would have to be there on time. No worries though, as long as there's not a ton of traffic he'll make it on time. Anyway, if there is traffic he can speed on the freeway, he does it all the time. George is very confident in himself with his driving skills. He would do everything it takes to get there in time.

George was zooming down the freeway. Weaving in and out of cars while drinking his coffee and eating his breakfast sandwich. Multiple cars were honking and flashing George to slow down and stay in his lane. But, he was oblivious to the commotion. Focusing on two things; how rich he was going to be, and how delicious his sandwich is. He was almost there, only two exits away from becoming a millionaire. As George started thinking about how dope his life is going to be, and all the new things he is going to buy once he gets this job there was a traffic jam 500 feet ahead. Since George was distracted, from eating and thinking about other topics than driving he was unaware of the traffic jam ahead. The cars in front of George started to gradually slow down but George did not. When he finally processed that all the cars were

slowing down he only had one option. George yanked his wheel to the right and drove off the road avoiding rear-ending the car in front of him. Moving at high speeds George was unable to slow the car down in the wet morning grass. He continued sliding on the wet grass towards trees, trying to stop the car. George's car would not stop on the wet grass until it struck a tree at 60 mph.

George's life ended that day as a result of distracted driving, which claims thousands of lives each year. Don't let George's mistake become your mistake.