



Light rail is coming to your neighborhood

Testing of light-rail trains starts soon on the new METRO Green Line that connects downtown Minneapolis with downtown St. Paul.

Though you can't ride the trains when that happens, they'll be operating in your neighborhood.

Take this quiz to make sure that you always have safety in mind when you're around trains.

Getting to know some simple safety tips now will help make all the difference.



### Safety is a shared responsibility

Taking light rail is a great way to get around but it deserves respect. Light rail is safe – except when someone ignores warning signs and barriers.

For light rail safety training or more information, please contact 651-602-1940 or visit [centralcorridor.org/safety](http://centralcorridor.org/safety).



If you live or go to school near the light-rail line or a bus route, **SAFETY IS THE ONLY ANSWER.**

QUESTION 1:  
**It's OK to race across the tracks when a train is approaching.**

- a. As long as you get a running start
- b. When the train isn't TOO close – the train's driver will surely see you and stop
- c. NEVER!



**Correct answer: c.**

It will take a train on the METRO Green Line 220 feet – or longer than two basketball courts – to stop when moving at its top speed. So it's you against more than 50 tons of metal.

QUESTION 2:  
**Is it safe to walk along the tracks?**

- a. Sure – when I can see the train
- b. Only if I don't get caught
- c. No way

**Correct answer: c.**

It's never safe to walk along the tracks. Tracks have switches that can move at any time and can easily shatter an ankle – or worse! Cross only where signs say it's OK to do so. Otherwise, it's considered trespassing, also known as illegal.

QUESTION 3:  
**What should I do if I'm in a car that stalls on the tracks?**

- a. Stay in the car and text message or call your friends for help
- b. Stand on the tracks and use your superpowers to stop the train
- c. Scram!



**Correct answer: c.**

Get yourself and anyone else as far away from the car as quickly as you can. Go slow and you can be severely injured.

QUESTION 4:  
**How do you know a train is coming?**

- a. The schedule says so
- b. There's an app for that
- c. You don't

**Correct answer: c.**

A train can come at any time from either direction on side-by-side tracks. Turn down your mobile device near the platform and rail crossings, then LOOK BOTH WAYS before crossing.

QUESTION 5:  
**Flying kites or model planes/helicopters near the overhead wire is ...**

- a. An experiment in physics
- b. A relaxing way to spend an afternoon
- c. Stupid and can be fatal



**Correct answer: c.**

Don't fool around. Those wires carry 750 volts of energy – enough to fry you and everything around you. Keep everything away from the overhead wires.

