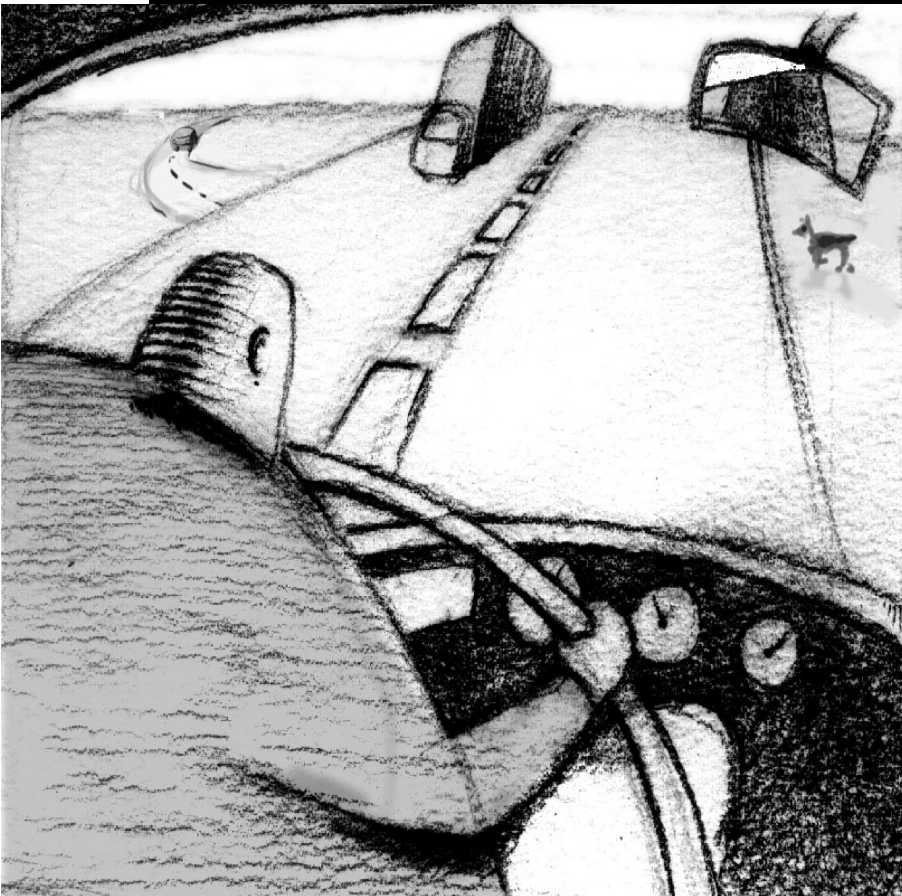


# Scanning the Road for Safety



1. Observe not just the vehicle in front of you, but two or three vehicles in front of you. The farther ahead you look, the better.
2. Note how close together vehicles are and when vehicles are traveling faster or slower than you.
3. Prepare to reduce your speed if you see brake lights going on up ahead.
4. Look to both sides of your car. Be alert for situations that box you in.
5. Use your rear- and side-view mirrors, checking traffic to your rear about every five seconds.
6. Adjust your speed so that you are not sandwiched between cars in the lanes on either side of you.
7. Avoid driving in the blind spot of cars to either side of you. And check your own blind spot before changing lanes.