

"BACKSEAT DRIVER"

FADE IN:

Daniel (16) gets in his new car. DANIEL'S MOM (50) and DANIEL's DAD (51) have their arms around each other, glancing nervously at their child. Peppy cheerful music plays in the background.

DANIEL'S MOM

(To Camera)

Hello fellow parents! I'm sure we all had the sense of dread when our child gets their first car. What if they get into an accident? What if they go somewhere they aren't supposed to?

The car screen lights up. A small mechanical hand pops out from the side and waves at an uncomfortable Daniel.

DANIEL'S MOM

Well drive those worries away with the new backseat driver system!

CUT TO:

Daniel driving in the car. His hands tightly grips the steering wheel. He stops at a red light and pulls out his phone.

DANIEL'S MOM (V.O.)

Installing the backseat driver system in your darling child's car offers us parents the peace of mind, no matter where they are.

The light turns green.

BACKSEAT DRIVER (V.O.)

The light is green.

The car moves forward. Daniel glances at his phone for a beat until the mechanical hand comes out and slaps it out of his hand.

BACKSEAT DRIVER (V.O.)

No texting while driving.

Daniel grumbles to himself.

CUT TO:

Daniel's parents sitting at a table with a phone. Daniel's father speaks into it.

DANIEL'S MOM

(To camera)

Want to add a personal touch? Well take advantage of the voice replicator. It'll be like you're on the road with them! Keeping calm and collected on all of their trips!

CUT TO:

A stressed Daniel driving on the highway.

BACKSEAT DRIVER (V.O.)

(Sounding like Daniel's father.)

Why the hell are you going so slow? Now you're speeding! Go to the next lane! Put your turn signals on dumbass!

Daniel's eye twitches and he hits his head on the steering wheel. The mechanical arm comes out and slaps him.

BACKSEAT DRIVER (V.O.)

Eyes on the road dumbass!

A disoriented Daniel loses control of the car and it swerves off into the side of the highway. Neighboring cars honk in irritation at him.

BACKSEAT DRIVER (V.O.)

Did driver's ed teach you nothing?

CUT TO:

Daniel's mom is tracking her son's location on her phone.

DANIEL'S MOM (V.O.)

Look at Daniel, trying to sneak to his girlfriend's house. If your child is driving off somewhere they aren't supposed to, don't worry, just apply our child-lock feature!

Daniel's mom presses a button with a smile on her face.

CUT TO:

The car doors lock. Daniel tugs on the door handles. He rolls his eyes. He starts bashing the door and window.

DANIEL'S MOM
The system has special features for
those extra unruly children.

The mechanical arm pops out and hits Daniel in the neck with
a taser. He shakes and goes limp.

DANIEL'S MOM (V.O.)
Remember honey, no sex before
marriage!

CUT TO:

A crazed Daniel holds a baseball bat and approaches his new
car. He raises it, aiming at the front window.

DANIEL'S MOM (V.O.)
Scared if someone might steal the
car? Well, the backseat driver has
state of the art defense systems
for your defenseless child.

CUT TO:

A visual showing multiple tools and weapons.

DANIEL'S MOM (V.O.)
Customize you car with your own
personal defense systems. You have
over a hundred unique options to
choose from! Nets, tranquilizers,
knock-out gas, knives, you name it!
Of course, I bought only the best
for my sweet boy.

A small turret rises up from the top of the car. It shoots
Daniel who falls to the ground.

DANIEL'S MOM (V.O.)
The Backseat driver system, drive
your worries away ... by any means
necessary.

