# About Refusal Skills - Level 1 Activity Handout



### Video Viewing Guide

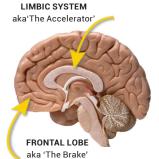
**Do Now:** Write 1-2 sentences in the box below in response to the question - **What does the word "refuse" mean to you?** 

#### Summarize what it means to set a boundary.



### **Fill In The Blank**

"Your	is not fully developed until age 25,
but your	is fully grown by about age 12."



#### Stop and Think...

CFU #1 - Describe a time when you set a boundary with someone.

#### Stop and Think...

CFU #2 - Why is it good to have strong refusal skills?

#### Write About It Prompt

**Directions:** Write 5-10 sentences in response to the following question. **Use the box at the bottom to draw out your thoughts.** 

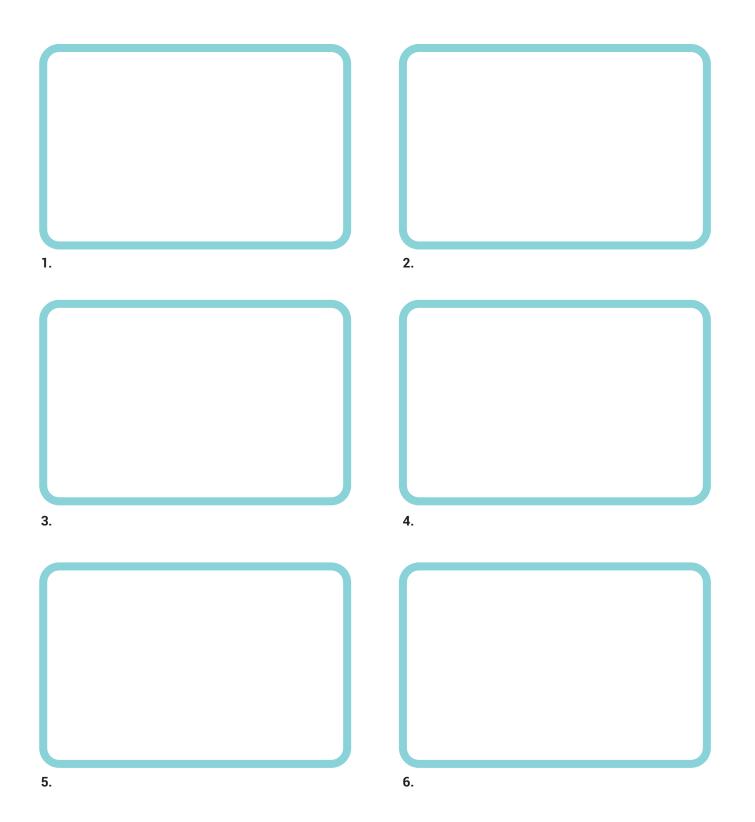


Why is it important to understand that your "gas pedal" in your brain develops long before your "brakes" develop? Give examples in your response.



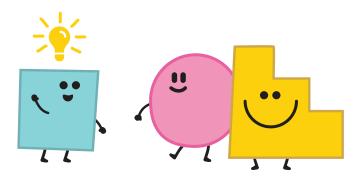
### Activity #1 - Independent Practice

**Directions:** Create a cartoon strip where a character sets good boundaries and demonstrates strong refusal skills.



#### Activity #2 - Group Activity

**Directions:** In your group, brainstorm 3-5 situations that might require you to set a boundary with someone, then come up with creative ways to refuse that person. As a class, share your ideas.



#### Activity #3 - Extended Learning

**Connect with Family** - Interview a trusted family member about a time that they had to refuse a tempting situation. List the strategies your family member used on your paper, and be prepared to discuss.



## **Brain Quiz**

- 1) True or False: Your limbic system develops before your frontal lobe.
- 2) Which of the following is an example of setting a boundary?
  - **A.** Asking a friend to not smoke around you because it makes you uncomfortable
  - **B.** Hanging out with people that push you to do things you don't want to do
  - **C.** Trying something you don't want to because you feel pressured
  - **D.** Pretending to like drinking alcohol when it makes you feel sick
- 3) Refusing something means \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. Saying "yes"
  - B. Saying "no"
  - C. Saying "maybe"
  - D. All of the above
- 4) Provide an example of someone using Refusal Skills -

5) Provide an example of someone setting a boundary -

