The AhaBulb Party Game

STUFF EVERY CDL DRIVER SHOULD KNOW

How to play (30 seconds)

1. The reader reads a card and its three answers out loud.
2. Everyone says "One, two, three, Goldilocks!" and holds up 1, 2, or 3 fingers.
3. The reader flips the card and reads the answer and the Why.
4. Everyone who was right takes a point.
5. The reader reads the joke with a straight face. Anyone laughs or groans? The reader takes a point. Nobody got it right? The reader takes a point.
6. Pass the deck left. Most points when the points run out wins.

What you need

These cards and the point tokens on the last two pages. No tokens? Use coins, buttons, pebbles, or marshmallows. 3 to 10 players, ages 8 and up.

Expert rule: Bet It

Before the reader flips the card, you may put one of your points on your answer. Right: take your normal point plus one extra. Wrong: your bet goes back to the pile. That's it.

Printing

Print single-sided, on cardstock if you have it. Cut on the dashed lines. Each card is a 3.5 x 5 inch index card. The answer half is upside down on purpose, so the table can't peek.

Cards 1 to 50 of 124. More cards and the free daily online game at sesk.info. Built 2026-10-14.

TRUCKING (CDL)

Which CDL class do you need for a combination over 26,000 lbs towing a trailer over 10,000 lbs?

- **A** Class A
- **B** Class B
- **C** Class C

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A **Class A**

WHY Group A covers combinations with a gross combination weight rating of 26,001 lbs or more when the towed unit is rated over 10,000 lbs. A typical tractor-trailer needs a Class A.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the license go back to school? It wanted a little more class.

SESK.INFO #6457

TRUCKING (CDL)

A single truck rated 26,001 lbs or more, towing nothing over 10,000 lbs, needs which CDL class?

- **A** Class A
- **B** Class B
- **C** Class C

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B **Class B**

WHY Group B is any single vehicle with a GVWR of 26,001 lbs or more. It may tow a trailer, but only one rated 10,000 lbs or less. Dump trucks and big box trucks are typical Class B vehicles.

STRAIGHT FACE
What do you get when you cross a truck with a cow? A moo-ving van.

SESK.INFO #6458

TRUCKING (CDL)

A smaller vehicle needs a Class C CDL when it carries hazmat that needs placards or how many people?

- **A** 9 or more, counting the driver
- **B** 20 or more, not counting the driver
- **C** 16 or more, counting the driver

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C **16 or more, counting the driver**

WHY Class C covers vehicles too light for Class A or B that are designed to carry 16 or more people including the driver, or that haul hazardous materials. Many church and hotel shuttle buses fall here.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why do shuttle drivers make good comedians? Great delivery at every stop.

SESK.INFO #6459

TRUCKING (CDL)

If you hold a Class A CDL, can you also drive Class B and C vehicles?

- **A** Yes, if you have the needed endorsements
- **B** No, you need a separate test for each class
- **C** Only Class B, never Class C

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A **Yes, if you have the needed endorsements**

WHY Passing the Class A knowledge and skills tests also covers heavy straight trucks and small vehicles. You still need the right endorsement, such as P for a bus.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the Class A driver feel so confident? Every class was beneath them.

SESK.INFO #6460

TRUCKING (CDL)

Which CDL endorsement letter is for tank vehicles?

A T
B K
C N

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C N

WHY N is the tank vehicle endorsement. T is doubles and triples, and K is a restriction meaning intrastate only, not an endorsement.

STRAIGHT FACE
What's a tanker's favorite dance? The slosh.

TRUCKING (CDL)

Which CDL endorsement letter lets you pull double or triple trailers?

A D
B T
C X

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B T

WHY The federal code for the double/triple trailers endorsement is T. You get it by passing a knowledge test only, with no extra skills test.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why are doubles drivers fun at parties? They always bring a plus-one.

TRUCKING (CDL)

Which CDL endorsement needs both a knowledge test and a skills test?

A Tank vehicle (N)
B Passenger (P)
C Hazardous materials (H)

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B Passenger (P)

WHY Passenger and school bus endorsements need a knowledge test and a road skills test. Tank, hazmat and doubles/triples need only a knowledge test.

STRAIGHT FACE
What's a bus driver's favorite workout? Wheel-ups.

TRUCKING (CDL)

What does the X endorsement on a CDL stand for?

A Tank vehicle and hazmat combined
B Extra-long trailers
C Oversize loads

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A Tank vehicle and hazmat combined

WHY X is a single code that means the driver holds both the tank vehicle (N) and hazardous materials (H) endorsements. Fuel tanker drivers usually carry it.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the fuel tanker get good grades? It always passed with flying colors.

TRUCKING (CDL)

What happens if you fail the air brake knowledge test or take your skills test in a truck without air brakes?

- **A** You cannot get a CDL at all
- **B** You must wait 60 days to retest
- **C** Your CDL is restricted from air brake vehicles

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C Your CDL is restricted from air brake vehicles

WHY The state must mark the license so you may not drive any CMV with air brakes. The code for this is L. You can remove it later by passing the test.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the air brake get a promotion? It handled pressure so well.

SESK.INFO #6465

TRUCKING (CDL)

If you take the CDL skills test in a truck with an automatic transmission, what goes on your license?

- **A** An E restriction: no manual transmissions
- **B** Nothing, the test covers both types
- **C** A K restriction: in-state driving only

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A An E restriction: no manual transmissions

WHY Testing in an automatic proves nothing about shifting gears, so the state restricts you from driving a CMV with a manual transmission. The code is E.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the gearshift go to school? To move up a grade.

SESK.INFO #6466

TRUCKING (CDL)

What is the minimum age to hold a commercial learner's permit (CLP)?

- **A** 16
- **B** 18
- **C** 21

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B 18

WHY A CLP holder must be 18 or older. Driving a CMV across state lines generally takes age 21, so many 18 to 20 year olds drive only within their own state.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the permit feel nervous? It was still learning the road.

SESK.INFO #6467

TRUCKING (CDL)

Which endorsements are the only ones allowed on a commercial learner's permit?

- **A** H, T and X
- **B** P, S and T
- **C** P, S and N

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C P, S and N

WHY Only P, S and N can go on a CLP, and each needs its knowledge test first. Hazmat (H), doubles/triples (T) and X are not allowed on a permit.

STRAIGHT FACE
What did the endorsement say to the license? I've got your back.

SESK.INFO #6468

TRUCKING (CDL)

When a CLP holder drives a truck, where must the supervising CDL holder be?

- **A** In the front seat next to the driver
- **B** Anywhere in the vehicle
- **C** In a car following behind

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A In the front seat next to the driver

WHY The CDL holder must have the right class and endorsements and sit in the front seat beside the trainee, watching and supervising. On a bus they sit directly behind the driver or in the first row.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why are driving instructors so calm? They know how to handle a sharp turn of events.

SESK.INFO #6469

TRUCKING (CDL)

After you first get your CLP, how long must you wait before taking the CDL skills test?

- **A** 7 days
- **B** 14 days
- **C** 30 days

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B 14 days

WHY A CLP holder may not take the CDL skills test in the first 14 days after the permit is first issued. The wait gives time for behind-the-wheel practice.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the calendar get nervous? Its days were numbered.

SESK.INFO #6470

TRUCKING (CDL)

How long can a CLP be valid before you must retake the knowledge tests?

- **A** 6 months
- **B** 2 years
- **C** 1 year

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C 1 year

WHY A CLP may be valid for at most one year from its first issue date. States that issue shorter permits may renew them, but never past that one year without retesting.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why are clocks always tired? They work around the clock.

SESK.INFO #6471

TRUCKING (CDL)

First-time Class A and B applicants must finish entry-level training from whom?

- **A** A provider on the Training Provider Registry
- **B** Any licensed CDL holder
- **C** The state DMV examiner

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A A provider on the Training Provider Registry

WHY Entry-level driver training (ELDT) applies when you first get a Class A or B CDL or upgrade to one. The trainer must be listed on the federal Training Provider Registry.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the semi go to school? It wanted to get ahead of the trailer.

SESK.INFO #6472

TRUCKING (CDL)

What blood alcohol level is illegal for someone driving a commercial motor vehicle?

- **A** 0.02 or higher
- **B** 0.04 or higher
- **C** 0.08 or higher

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B 0.04 or higher

WHY Driving a CMV with an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or more is illegal. A first conviction costs your CDL for at least one year.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the trucker bring a ladder? The job came with a raise.

SESK.INFO #6473

TRUCKING (CDL)

A CMV driver has a detectable amount of alcohol, but under 0.04. What happens?

- **A** Nothing, it is under the limit
- **B** Lose the CDL for one year
- **C** Out of service for 24 hours

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C Out of service for 24 hours

WHY Any detected alcohol while on duty breaks the federal rule, even under 0.04. The driver is placed out of service for 24 hours.

STRAIGHT FACE
What did the big rig say to the little car? Don't worry, I'll keep my distance.

SESK.INFO #6474

TRUCKING (CDL)

How many hours before going on duty is a CMV driver banned from using alcohol?

- **A** 4 hours
- **B** 2 hours
- **C** 8 hours

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A 4 hours

WHY Federal rules forbid using alcohol, or being under its influence, within 4 hours before going on duty or driving a CMV.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the trucker sleep under the rig? To wake up oily.

SESK.INFO #6475

TRUCKING (CDL)

What is the minimum CDL disqualification for a first refusal to take an alcohol test?

- **A** 60 days
- **B** 1 year
- **C** No penalty if you are sober

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B 1 year

WHY Under implied consent, refusing a required alcohol test counts like a major offense. A first refusal in a CMV disqualifies you for at least one year.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the 18-wheeler get an award? It was outstanding on every haul.

SESK.INFO #6476

TRUCKING (CDL)

A major offense, like leaving the scene of an accident, happens while hauling placarded hazmat. What is the first-offense disqualification?

A 1 year

B Life

C 3 years

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C 3 years

WHY Major offenses such as leaving the scene or driving over 0.04 bring at least one year. If you were driving a placarded hazmat vehicle, it jumps to at least three years.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the trucker get a job at the clock factory? To make up for lost time.

SESK.INFO #6477

TRUCKING (CDL)

What happens to a CDL holder convicted of a second major offense, like two alcohol violations?

A They lose it for life

B They lose it for 3 years

C They pay a fine and keep driving

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A They lose it for life

WHY A second conviction for any mix of major offenses means a lifetime disqualification. A state may reinstate some drivers after 10 years if they finish an approved rehab program.

STRAIGHT FACE
What did the logbook say to the trucker? I've got your back, mile after mile.

SESK.INFO #6478

TRUCKING (CDL)

Speeding counts as a serious traffic violation for CDL holders at how many mph over the limit?

A 10 mph or more

B 15 mph or more

C 25 mph or more

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B 15 mph or more

WHY Excessive speeding, meaning 15 mph or more over the limit, is a serious traffic violation. So are reckless driving, erratic lane changes and following too closely.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the snail paint an S on its car? So people would say look at that S car go.

SESK.INFO #6479

TRUCKING (CDL)

How long do you lose your CDL for two serious traffic violations in a CMV within 3 years?

A 30 days

B 1 year

C 60 days

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C 60 days

WHY Two serious traffic violations within three years bring at least 60 days off the road. A third within three years brings at least 120 days.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the road cross the road? It wanted to be a bridge.

SESK.INFO #6480

TRUCKING (CDL)

What is the minimum CDL disqualification for a first railroad crossing violation?

- **A** 60 days
- **B** 120 days
- **C** 1 year

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A 60 days

WHY Breaking a railroad crossing law in a CMV costs at least 60 days for a first violation, 120 days for a second within 3 years, and 1 year for a third.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the train lose its job? It kept getting sidetracked.

SESK.INFO #6481

TRUCKING (CDL)

Under CDL rules, which of these is a railroad crossing offense for all drivers?

- **A** Crossing without stopping at an open crossing
- **B** Starting across without room to clear it
- **C** Using the horn near the tracks

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B Starting across without room to clear it

WHY Every driver must have enough space to drive completely through a crossing without stopping. Getting stuck for lack of room, or because the truck is too low and hangs up, are both offenses.

STRAIGHT FACE
What do you call a train that sneezes? An achoo-choo train.

SESK.INFO #6482

TRUCKING (CDL)

What is the minimum federal disqualification for a first out-of-service order violation hauling non-hazardous freight?

- **A** 30 days
- **B** 5 years
- **C** 180 days

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C 180 days

WHY A first violation while hauling non-hazardous freight brings at least 180 days off. A second within 10 years means at least 2 years.

STRAIGHT FACE
What did the pillow say to the trucker? Take ten.

SESK.INFO #6483

TRUCKING (CDL)

What is the longest a regular DOT medical examiner's certificate can be valid?

- **A** 24 months
- **B** 12 months
- **C** 5 years

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A 24 months

WHY Drivers must be examined and certified by a medical examiner at least every 24 months. Some conditions, like insulin-treated diabetes, need a yearly exam.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why was the truck sent to the doctor? It had a bad case of the brakes.

SESK.INFO #6484

TRUCKING (CDL)

A driver whose diabetes is treated with insulin must be medically recertified how often?

- **A** Every 24 months
- **B** Every 12 months
- **C** Every 3 months

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B Every 12 months

WHY Drivers with insulin-treated diabetes can be certified under a special standard, but they must be re-examined at least every 12 months. The same yearly rule applies to drivers certified under the vision exception.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the doctor carry a red pen? In case they needed to draw blood.

SESK.INFO #6485

TRUCKING (CDL)

A property-carrying driver may drive a total of how many hours within the 14-hour window?

- **A** 10 hours
- **B** 14 hours
- **C** 11 hours

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C 11 hours

WHY After 10 straight hours off duty, a truck driver hauling freight may drive up to 11 hours total. Those 11 hours must fit inside the 14-hour on-duty window.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the trucker sit on the clock? To be on time.

SESK.INFO #6486

TRUCKING (CDL)

After coming on duty following 10 hours off, a truck driver may not drive after how many consecutive hours?

- **A** 14 hours
- **B** 12 hours
- **C** 16 hours

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A 14 hours

WHY The 14-hour window starts when the driver comes on duty. Once 14 consecutive hours have passed, no more driving until another 10 hours off. Lunch breaks do not stop the clock.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the trucker's watch get a ticket? It went too fast.

SESK.INFO #6487

TRUCKING (CDL)

A truck driver needs a 30-minute break after how many hours of driving time?

- **A** 4 hours
- **B** 8 hours
- **C** 6 hours

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B 8 hours

WHY Driving is not allowed once 8 hours of driving time pass without a 30-minute break in a row. The break can be off duty, sleeper berth, or on duty but not driving, like fueling.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the trucker take a nap? They were exhausted.

SESK.INFO #6488

TRUCKING (CDL)

If your carrier runs trucks every day of the week, what is your on-duty limit?

- **A** 60 hours in 7 days
- **B** 80 hours in 8 days
- **C** 70 hours in 8 days

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C 70 hours in 8 days

WHY Drivers may not drive after 60 on-duty hours in 7 days, or 70 hours in 8 days if the carrier operates every day. These are rolling totals, not calendar weeks.

STRAIGHT FACE
What's a trucker's favorite part of the week? The restart button.

SESK.INFO #6489

TRUCKING (CDL)

How many consecutive hours off duty restart a truck driver's 60/70 hour clock?

- **A** 34 hours
- **B** 24 hours
- **C** 48 hours

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A 34 hours

WHY A 7 or 8 day period may end when the driver begins 34 or more consecutive hours off duty. After that, the 60 or 70 hour count starts fresh.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why is a 34-hour restart like a good nap? You wake up with a fresh clock.

SESK.INFO #6490

TRUCKING (CDL)

A bus driver carrying passengers may drive up to how many hours after 8 hours off duty?

- **A** 11 hours
- **B** 10 hours
- **C** 12 hours

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B 10 hours

WHY Passenger-carrying drivers may drive 10 hours after 8 consecutive hours off, and may not drive after 15 on-duty hours. Freight drivers instead get 11 hours after 10 off.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why do bus drivers make great friends? They never leave you at the stop.

SESK.INFO #6491

TRUCKING (CDL)

In the CDL 7-step inspection method, what is Step 1?

- **A** Start the engine and check gauges
- **B** Walk-around of the lights
- **C** Vehicle overview and last report

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C Vehicle overview and last report

WHY Step 1 is the vehicle overview: look at the general condition, leaks and hazards, and review the last vehicle inspection report. Step 2 is the engine compartment.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the clipboard love inspections? It liked to check things off.

SESK.INFO #6492

TRUCKING (CDL)

To test hydraulic brakes for leaks, you pump the pedal 3 times, then hold firm pressure for how long?

- **A** 5 seconds
- **B** 2 seconds
- **C** 30 seconds

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A 5 seconds

WHY Pump the brake pedal 3 times, then press firmly and hold for 5 seconds. If the pedal moves, there may be a leak or other problem. Get it fixed before driving.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the brake pad break up with the rotor? Too much friction.

SESK.INFO #6493

TRUCKING (CDL)

What is the minimum tread depth for front (steering) tires on a commercial vehicle?

- **A** 2/32 inch
- **B** 4/32 inch
- **C** 6/32 inch

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B 4/32 inch

WHY Front tires need at least 4/32 inch of tread in every major groove. Other tires need at least 2/32 inch. No fabric should show through the tread or sidewall.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the tire go to the bakery? For a fresh tread.

SESK.INFO #6494

TRUCKING (CDL)

How much steering wheel free play is too much on a commercial vehicle?

- **A** More than 5 degrees
- **B** More than 30 degrees
- **C** More than 10 degrees

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C More than 10 degrees

WHY Steering wheel play of more than 10 degrees can make the truck hard to steer. On a 20-inch wheel, that is about 2 inches of movement at the rim.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why was the steering wheel so calm? It always knew which way to turn.

SESK.INFO #6495

TRUCKING (CDL)

How do you test the parking brake during a pre-trip inspection?

- **A** Set it, then gently pull forward in low gear
- **B** Roll downhill and pull the brake
- **C** Push the brake pedal 3 times

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A Set it, then gently pull forward in low gear

WHY With the parking brake set, put the vehicle in a low gear and gently pull forward. If the brake does not hold the vehicle, it is faulty and must be fixed.

STRAIGHT FACE
What's a parking brake's favorite song? Stand By Me.

SESK.INFO #6496

TRUCKING (CDL)

During a trip, which is one of the critical items to check whenever you stop?

- **A** Only the fuel level
- **B** Tires, wheels and rims
- **C** Only the windshield washer fluid

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B Tires, wheels and rims

WHY On a trip, watch gauges and use your senses. When you stop, check tires, wheels and rims, brakes, lights and reflectors, trailer brake and electrical connections, couplings and cargo securement.

STRAIGHT FACE
What part of a truck is the laziest? The wheels, they're always tired.

SESK.INFO #6500

TRUCKING (CDL)

How many red reflective warning triangles should be in a commercial vehicle's emergency equipment?

- **A** 3
- **B** 2
- **C** 6

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A 3

WHY Emergency equipment includes a fire extinguisher, spare fuses unless the truck has circuit breakers, and warning devices: 3 red reflective triangles, 6 fuses, or 3 liquid burning flares.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the triangle get the safety job? It always had the right angle.

SESK.INFO #6499

TRUCKING (CDL)

Before driving, when must you sign the previous driver's inspection report?

- **A** Every time, even with no defects
- **B** Never, only mechanics sign it
- **C** Only if defects were noted and certified

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C Only if defects were noted and certified

WHY Before driving, review the last inspection report. You sign it only if defects were noted and the carrier certified they were fixed or that repairs were not needed.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the pen love trucking? It liked signing off on a good haul.

SESK.INFO #6498

TRUCKING (CDL)

When must a driver prepare a written vehicle inspection report on each vehicle driven?

- **A** Only once a month
- **B** At the end of each day's work
- **C** Only after an accident

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B At the end of each day's work

WHY The post-trip driver vehicle inspection report covers brakes, steering, lights, tires and more. If no defect is found, no report is needed. The carrier must fix safety defects before the vehicle runs again.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why are mechanics so calm? They know how to handle a breakdown.

SESK.INFO #6497

TRUCKING (CDL)

How far ahead should a CDL driver scan the road ahead?

- **A** 5 seconds ahead
- **B** 12 to 15 seconds ahead
- **C** Only the vehicle directly ahead

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B 12 to 15 seconds ahead

WHY This gives you time to spot hazards and avoid sudden stops or lane changes. At highway speeds, 12 to 15 seconds is about one quarter of a mile.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the trucker stare far down the road? Because last-minute surprises are not a good look.

SESK.INFO #6501

TRUCKING (CDL)

How often does the CDL manual say to check your mirrors?

- **A** Only before changing lanes
- **B** Regularly, and more often in special situations
- **C** Only when backing up

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

B Regularly, and more often in special situations

WHY Traffic beside and behind you keeps changing. Check your mirrors regularly, and more often for lane changes, turns, merges and tight maneuvers.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why do truck mirrors tell secrets? They always reflect on what is behind you.

SESK.INFO #6502

TRUCKING (CDL)

What are the three parts of total stopping distance?

- **A** Perception, reaction, braking
- **B** Speed, weight, traction
- **C** Signal, steering, stopping

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A Perception, reaction, braking

WHY Perception distance is how far you travel while your brain recognizes a hazard. Reaction distance is how far you go before your foot hits the brake. Braking distance is how far you roll while braking.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why do truck drivers think in three parts? Because stopping is a three-step program.

SESK.INFO #6503

TRUCKING (CDL)

If you double your speed from 20 to 40 mph, what happens to braking distance?

- **A** It doubles
- **B** It triples
- **C** It quadruples

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C It quadruples

WHY Braking distance grows much faster than speed. Doubling speed from 20 to 40 mph makes it 4 times longer, and tripling to 60 mph makes it 9 times longer.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the trucker fail math? He thought doubling speed only doubled the trouble.

SESK.INFO #6504

TRUCKING (CDL)

For a 40-foot vehicle at 55 mph, what following distance should you leave?

- **A** 2 seconds
- **B** 4 seconds
- **C** 5 seconds

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

C 5 seconds

WHY Four seconds for the 40-foot length, plus one second because the speed is over 40 mph.

STRAIGHT FACE
What is a truck's favorite dance move? The five-second rule.

SESK.INFO #6506

TRUCKING (CDL)

What is the basic CDL following distance rule for speeds under 40 mph?

- **A** One second per 10 feet of vehicle length
- **B** One second per 20 feet of vehicle length
- **C** Always two seconds

FLIP FOR THE ANSWER

A One second per 10 feet of vehicle length

WHY Longer vehicles need more following distance. At speeds above 40 mph, add one extra second.

STRAIGHT FACE
Why did the 40-foot truck follow so far behind? It needed space for its long personality.

SESK.INFO #6505

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