**Task Sheet 3 – Taking Risks**

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**Case Study:** Sean Nicholl was 18 years old when he made the decision to overtake without making sure it was safe. He had set off for college and came up behind two slow moving vehicles. Sean pulled out to overtake and crashed into a three-tonne lorry. His brain stem was severely twisted in the crash, affecting his mobility, speech and nervous system. He now uses a wheelchair and can only walk with a frame. Sean says: "I pay every day for taking the stupid risk of overtaking blind. I used to regularly take extreme risks while driving - speeding, racing my mates, overtaking dangerously - and never thought much of it. My life has altered dramatically, all because of the decision I took that day. I would urge all young drivers not to gamble with their lives like I did with mine. I thought I was invincible, and learned the hard way I'm not."

You must not overtake when....

How do you overtake safely?