Family Road Trip
Conversation Starters
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This I Believe…

• What gives you hope?
• Finish this sentence: Our world needs people who...
• What simple thing makes you happy?
• What are our talents, individually or as a family? How can you use these talents to make your community a stronger, happier place?
• What would you do with your time if you didn’t need to work or go to school?
• What does success look like?
• What does it mean to live a good life?
• Do you think it’s more important to donate money to causes you care about or volunteer time to help others? Why?
• Does traveling make you appreciate anything about your home town or home state more than you did before? What and why?

Share Your Stories

Describe an enjoyable memory from when your child was very young.
Describe a challenging memory from when your child was very young.
Talk about your family’s history of volunteering. Did your parents volunteer?
When did you first volunteer? When did you first practice kindness with your child?
Share a memory about your grandparents. Talk about something that was important to your parents.
Talk about a family vacation from your childhood.
How was your childhood similar to childhood today? How was it different?
Describe your idea of the perfect day.

Just for Fun

• If you were an animal, what kind of animal would you be and why? What kind of animals do you think the rest of your family should be and why?
• If your family had a band, what would it be called?
• If they made a movie about your family, what would it be called? How would you write that story?
• If you started a new family business, what would it be? What role would you each play?
• You suddenly won the lottery! What do you do next?
• What famous person (real or fictional) would you like to invite to dinner? What would you ask?

Making Plans

• If you had $10 and had to give it away, what would you do with it? (Then, consider making a $10 donation when you get home.)
• What should our next volunteer project be? Who should we help? What talents can we use?
• Should we volunteer even if we don’t want to? Why or why not? How can we get motivated? How can we inspire others to make a difference?
• Where should we go on our next family road trip, and what can we do to make it even better?

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