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## Drinking and Driving: A Dangerous Mix

### Short Answer Key

1. Potential legal consequences may include fines, license suspension, mandatory alcohol education programs, probation, and even jail time, depending on the severity of the offense.
2. Alcohol impairs a driver's ability to make safe decisions on the road by affecting judgment, coordination, and reaction time. It impairs cognitive function, making it difficult to assess and respond to driving situations effectively.
3. One statistic mentioned in the passage is that alcohol-impaired driving accounts for a significant percentage of all traffic-related deaths.
4. One step individuals can take to prevent drunk driving is to designate a sober driver before going out with friends.
5. It is important to have a designated driver or use public transportation when you've been drinking because alcohol impairs judgment, coordination, and reaction time. Having a sober driver or using public transportation ensures that you and others on the road are safe, reducing the risk of accidents and legal consequences.

