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## Man in the Back Seat

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Kayla Lee  
North Logan Utah  
December 6, 2017

## Man in the Back Seat Legend

Informant: Kayla Lee is my mother. She is 48 years old and lives in North Logan, Utah. She has lived in North Logan or the surrounding areas for most of her life. She works as a part-time high school math teacher and adjunct professor of Chemistry at Utah State University

Context: Kayla told this story in our living room during the day. It was a response to me asking about stories or traditions she remembered from her childhood.

Text: This girl came out late from work and got in her car and started driving and a car behind her just kept flashing his lights and she was really nervous because he kept following her really close and flashing his lights and when she got home he was still there just flashing his lights and so she just jumped out of the car and ran inside because she was so scared and...well I can't remember if it was her dad or a police man... but they went out and asked the guy why he was doing it. He said it's cause every time the guy in the back of his car would rear up he'd flash his lights and so they checked and there was a guy in the back with a knife.

Texture: Kayla told this story and said it was something she used to think about a lot because she would work late at the mall during high school and come out when it was dark. She seemed a little surprised when I told her that I had heard the same story multiple times. She didn't seem like she believed the story anymore but she did say that she had been very afraid of it as a child

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