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So when you remove the seat from a child who is only 135cm and wonder why the diagonal belt is cutting into their neck, you'll now know why!



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