THE GENERATION GAP

A five-year-old girl went out for the first time in her grandparents' new car. As the law demands, they told her to sit in one of the rear seats and emphasised how important it was to wear a safety belt. Her grandfather explained carefully exactly how the seat belt worked.

'You just slip it around you, Katie, and then you simply click on the little bit of red plastic in the middle.' The child looked puzzled. The old man repeated the instruction once again, this time more slowly, but to no avail.

'Heavens, Dorothy! She can't understand something as simple as this. Have we got a moron in the family?', he whispered in stentorian tones.

'Don't fuss. Let me handle this,' said his wife. 'Now, what's the matter, darling?' Whereupon Katie blurted out, 'Grandma, what does Grandpa mean? Single click, or double click?'

Transcribe your text here:

This is the key:

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