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Q1. Which driving skills are impaired by alcohol or drug use?

- A)** Alertness.
- B)** Coordination.
- C)** Both of the above.

Answer: C

Q2. The only effective method to remove alcohol from your body is to:

- A)** Drink strong coffee.
- B)** Wait; allow time for your body to metabolize the alcohol.
- C)** Take a cold shower.
- D)** Exercise vigorously to speed up elimination.

Answer: B

Q3. Which action should you never take when changing lanes?

- A)** Attempt to change lanes within an intersection.
- B)** Check your blind spots by looking over your left or right shoulder.
- C)** Check for other drivers moving into the same lane.

Answer: A

Q4. What is the law regarding posters and signs on car windows?

- A)** Are a fun way to personalize your vehicle.
- B)** Are prohibited by state law if they obstruct a driver's view of the road.
- C)** Are allowed only if they do not contain offensive language.

Answer: B

Q5. In bad weather, what steering and braking technique should you use?

- A)** Steer and brake smoothly.
- B)** Steer off the road.
- C)** Drive in a low gear.

Answer: A

Q6. Before changing lanes or attempting to pass, what should you do?

- A)** Signal your intention before changing lanes.
- B)** Check your blind spots and mirrors.
- C)** All of the above.

Answer: C

Q7. At dawn, dusk, or during rain or snow when visibility is poor, you should:

- A)** Turn on your parking lights.
- B)** Increase instrument panel lighting only.
- C)** Turn on your headlights (low beams).
- D)** Use high beam headlights for better visibility.

Answer: C

Q8. You may cross double yellow lines to pass another vehicle when which condition is met?

- A)** Vehicle in front of you moves to the right to let you pass.
- B)** The yellow line next to your side of the road is broken.
- C)** The yellow line next to the opposite side of the road is broken.

Answer: B

Q9. Which action tends to block the smooth flow of traffic?

- A) Driving at posted speeds.
- B) Avoiding unnecessary lane changes.
- C) Using public transportation instead of driving.
- D) Slowing down to look at a collision scene (rubbernecking).

Answer: D

Q10. When is it legal to make a left turn on red after stopping?

- A) You are traveling on a two-way street and turning onto a two-way street.
- B) You are traveling on a one-way street and turning onto another one-way street.
- C) You yield to all other traffic at the intersection.

Answer: B

Q11. Why is extra space needed in front of a large truck?

- A) Other drivers to merge onto the freeway.
- B) The truck driver to stop the vehicle.
- C) Other drivers when they want to slow down.

Answer: B

Q12. Why is driving at night more dangerous than daytime driving?

- A) You cannot see as far ahead at night.
- B) The road is always more slippery at night.
- C) Your reaction time is slower at night.

Answer: A

Q13. What is an important step to take when making a turn?

- A)** Check traffic in all directions.
- B)** Always move to the left lane.
- C)** Increase your speed.

Answer: A

Q14. Where is a road most likely to be icy after precipitation on a cold day?

- A)** On bridges only.
- B)** In shaded areas.
- C)** On a hilly open road.
- D)** In a residential road with many houses.

Answer: B

Q15. At a red light that also displays a green arrow, when may you proceed in the arrow's direction?

- A)** If you are in the proper lane and the roadway is clear.
- B)** You first come to a complete stop.
- C)** You wait until the light changes.

Answer: A

Q16. Drivers are required to obey instructions from which of the following persons at construction sites?

- A)** Security guards patrolling parking lots.
- B)** Other drivers whose vehicles are broken down on the roadway.
- C)** Flaggers (signal persons) at construction sites.

Answer: C

Q17. When should you adjust your rearview and side mirrors?

- A)** Before you start driving.
- B)** Whenever you need to use them.
- C)** Before you get into the car.

Answer: A

Q18. If you are about to be rear-ended, which action should you NOT take?

- A)** Press your head against the head restraint.
- B)** Brace yourself.
- C)** Release your seat belt.

Answer: C

Q19. How should you make room for cars entering the freeway?

- A)** Merge into a different lane when possible.
- B)** Maintain your speed and position.
- C)** Slow down.

Answer: A

Q20. When must you show proof of insurance to law enforcement?

- A)** If you are stopped for a citation or involved in a collision.
- B)** Only if you are involved in a collision.
- C)** Only if you are stopped and cited.
- D)** Only during a vehicle inspection.

Answer: A

Q21. What should you do when driving through a work zone?

- A)** Increase your speed to get through the zone as quickly as possible.
- B)** Maintain your normal speed the whole way through the zone.
- C)** Reduce your speed and be prepared to stop.

Answer: C

Q22. Regulatory signs are typically what color and must always be obeyed?

- A)** Blue
- B)** Green
- C)** White

Answer: C

Q23. When is it best to change from one lane to another?

- A)** Quickly and often.
- B)** When a car is in your blind spot.
- C)** Gradually and carefully.

Answer: C

Q24. How can you help keep the driver behind you a safe distance away?

- A)** Maintaining a steady speed.
- B)** Driving 10 mph faster than the car behind you.
- C)** Driving 10 mph slower than the car behind you.

Answer: A

Q25. When preparing to turn left from a two-way street, you should position your vehicle:

- A) On the left of the centerline.
- B) Near the centerline.
- C) Near the right-hand side of the road.

Answer: B

Q26. Excessive speed increases the likelihood of what outcome?

- A) Serious bodily injury and death.
- B) Saves time so you can get to your destination more quickly.
- C) Helps you maneuver around obstacles.

Answer: A

Q27. In traffic moving at 50 to 55 mph, when are you least likely to have an accident?

- A) Drive a few miles per hour faster than most other vehicles.
- B) Stay within that speed range.
- C) Drive a few miles per hour slower than most other vehicles.

Answer: B

Q28. How can you help avoid skids on slippery surfaces?

- A) Slow down before entering curves and intersections.
- B) Shift to a lower gear after starting down a steep hill.
- C) Speed up to enter curves and slow down to exit them.

Answer: A

Q29. When must you obey instructions from school crossing guards?

- A)** Only if children are visible nearby.
- B)** Only during posted school hours.
- C)** Only when accompanied by a police officer.
- D)** At all times when they are directing pedestrians and traffic.

Answer: D

Q30. How can you reduce the chance of losing traction on wet roads?

- A)** Apply the brakes firmly.
- B)** Drive at the posted speed regardless of conditions.
- C)** Make abrupt turns to test traction.
- D)** Slow down.

Answer: D

Q31. What do yellow lines on the roadway separate?

- A)** Traffic lanes on one-way streets.
- B)** All carpool lanes from regular traffic lanes.
- C)** Bicycle lanes from vehicle lanes.
- D)** Traffic moving in opposite directions on two-way roads.

Answer: D

Q32. When entering a freeway, how should you check traffic to merge safely?

- A)** Using your side mirror and looking over your shoulder.
- B)** Using only your rearview mirror.
- C)** Using your rearview and side mirrors without looking over your shoulder.

Answer: A

Q33. Excessive speed often results in:

- A) High-risk decision-making.**
- B) Increased ability to react to a hazard.**
- C) No change in crash risk.**

Answer: A

Q34. What is the purpose of broken yellow lines on the roadway?

- A) Separate lanes of traffic moving in opposite directions.**
- B) Indicate no passing zones.**
- C) Separate lanes of traffic moving in the same direction.**

Answer: A

Q35. What do temporary signs in construction and maintenance work areas look like?

- A) Have a red background with green writing.**
- B) Have an orange background with black writing.**
- C) Have a yellow background with blue writing.**

Answer: B

Q36. Alcohol is classified as which type of substance?

- A) A depressant.**
- B) A stimulant.**
- C) An antihistamine.**

Answer: A

Q37. To be able to turn quickly and safely, where should your hands be placed on the steering wheel?

- A)** On opposite sides of the steering wheel.
- B)** Next to each other on the top of the steering wheel.
- C)** On the top and bottom of the steering wheel.

Answer: A

Q38. On a roadway with a single broken white centerline, what is allowed?

- A)** You may cross the centerline to change lanes.
- B)** You must stay within your lane.
- C)** You may change lanes only from the left lane.

Answer: A

Q39. When parking downhill on a two-way road with no curb, which way should you turn the front wheels?

- A)** Left
 - toward the center of the road
- B)** Straight ahead
- C)** Right
 - toward the side of the road

Answer: C

Q40. How can drowsiness affect your driving?

- A)** Make you feel better.
- B)** Help you to be a better driver.
- C)** Impair your judgment.

Answer: C

Q41. If it feels like your tires have lost contact with the road surface, what should you do?

- A) Slow down by shifting into a lower gear.
- B) Ease your foot off the gas pedal.
- C) Slow down by pumping the brakes quickly and firmly.

Answer: B

Q42. When involved in a collision, when should you give your name, address, and vehicle registration information to the other drivers?

- A) Only if the collision caused injury.
- B) When property damage totals above \$500.
- C) Every time you are involved in a collision.

Answer: C

Q43. How do stopping distances and crash severity change as vehicle speed increases?

- A) Decrease as vehicle speed increases.
- B) Are not affected by vehicle speed.
- C) Increase as vehicle speed increases.

Answer: C

Q44. On slippery surfaces like snow or ice, which action is recommended before descending steep hills?

- A) Pump your brakes continuously to prevent freezing.
- B) Follow closely behind the vehicle in front of you.
- C) Use cruise control to keep steady speed.
- D) Shift to a low gear to maintain control.

Answer: D

Q45. To check for objects in your blind spot when changing lanes, drivers should do what?

- A) Only the left outside mirror.
- B) Over their left or right shoulder.
- C) Only the inside rearview mirror.

Answer: B

Q46. If you plan to pass a pedestrian while an oncoming vehicle is approaching, what should you do?

- A) Honk to make the pedestrian move over.
- B) Quickly swerve into the shoulder to pass.
- C) Keep your speed steady because the oncoming vehicle must stop for you.
- D) Slow down and let the oncoming vehicle pass before passing the pedestrian.

Answer: D

Q47. Regulatory signs generally are which of the following?

- A) White
- B) Green
- C) Yellow

Answer: A

Q48. At an intersection where all four corners have stop signs, who has the right-of-way?

- A) The driver across from your vehicle.
- B) The driver who arrived before you.
- C) The driver who signals first.
- D) The driver on your left.

Answer: B

Q49. To help prevent eye fatigue when driving at night, you should:

- A)** Continue moving your eyes and scanning the road.
- B)** Stare straight ahead.
- C)** Rest your eyes by closing them for a couple of seconds at a time.

Answer: A

Q50. When driving in fog, you should use which type of headlights?

- A)** High beam headlights.
- B)** Low beam headlights.
- C)** Four-way flashers.
- D)** Parking lights only.

Answer: B