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Q1. When you are following a motorcycle, what should you do?

- A)** Drive more slowly.
- B)** Allow a larger following distance.
- C)** Be ready to use your horn.
- D)** Maintain your usual close following distance.

Answer: B

Q2. What does a broken yellow centerline between two lanes of traffic mean?

- A)** Passing on the left is permitted when the way ahead is clear.
- B)** Passing is not permitted.
- C)** Passing on the right is permitted when the way ahead is clear.

Answer: A

Q3. Why should you avoid making sudden stops in front of large trucks and buses?

- A)** Small vehicle drivers cannot adequately see large trucks and buses in their rearview mirrors.
- B)** Large trucks and buses require longer distances to stop than smaller passenger vehicles.
- C)** Large trucks and buses travel at higher speeds than small vehicles.

Answer: B

Q4. If you are angry after an argument, what is the safest choice before driving?

- A)** Loudly play the radio while driving so you won't think about your argument.
- B)** Take a few minutes to cool off before driving.
- C)** Drive on the interstate to let off steam.

Answer: B

Q5. Which action commonly blocks the smooth flow of traffic?

- A)** Slowing down to look at a collision scene.
- B)** Avoiding unnecessary lane changes.
- C)** Using public transportation instead of your vehicle.

Answer: A

Q6. If you parallel park facing downhill, you should:

- A)** Turn your wheels sharply toward the side of the road.
- B)** Turn your wheels away from the side of the road.
- C)** Keep your wheels straight.

Answer: A

Q7. What is the safest response if you encounter an aggressive driver?

- A)** Challenge them.
- B)** Get out of their way.
- C)** Speed up.

Answer: B

Q8. Before changing lanes or attempting to pass, what actions should you take?

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

Answer: C

Q9. On a short entrance ramp with no acceleration lane, how should you enter the interstate?

- A)** Immediately enter the far-right traffic lane on the interstate and speed up to match the flow of traffic.
- B)** Use the shoulder of the main road to get up to the speed of traffic.
- C)** Speed up and enter the interstate only after you have identified a gap in traffic.

Answer: C

Q10. How must you treat a flashing red traffic signal?

- A)** Are traveling in the wrong direction.
- B)** Must treat the intersection as if it is controlled by a stop sign.
- C)** May not proceed until it changes to green.

Answer: B

Q11. When facing a green light with pedestrians in the intersection, you must:

- A)** You have the right-of-way over pedestrians.
- B)** Pedestrians must wait for you to cross.
- C)** You must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians.

Answer: C

Q12. When driving in work zones, you should:

- A)** Pass the driver in front of you as soon as you can.
- B)** Follow the driver in front of you closely.
- C)** Avoid tailgating and keep a safe following distance.

Answer: C

Q13. Roads with a double solid yellow centerline indicate that passing is:

- A)** Allowed from both directions.
- B)** Allowed only from your direction of travel.
- C)** Not allowed from either direction.

Answer: C

Q14. How many alcoholic drinks are needed to affect your driving?

- A)** Three.
- B)** Two.
- C)** One.
- D)** None — only heavy drinking impairs you.

Answer: C

Q15. If a tire blows out while driving, what should you do?

- A)** Apply the brakes firmly and quickly.
- B)** Hold the steering wheel tightly and use the brakes lightly to slow down.
- C)** Pull over immediately onto the roadway without slowing.
- D)** Speed up to reach the shoulder.

Answer: B

Q16. If an oncoming driver fails to dim their headlights, you should:

- A)** Look straight ahead.
- B)** Look toward the right side of the road.
- C)** Look toward the center of the roadway.

Answer: B

Q17. If your wheels run off the pavement edge, what should you do first?

- A)** Turn sharply to re-enter the road.
- B)** Hold the wheel firmly
 - ease off the gas
 - and gently brake.
- C)** Speed up and re-enter quickly.
- D)** Immediately swerve back onto the pavement.

Answer: B

Q18. When is it necessary to use your low-beam headlights?

- A)** When driving in fog.
- B)** When on a freeway.
- C)** When on a well-lit street.
- D)** When following another vehicle at night or when approaching oncoming traffic.

Answer: A

Q19. When approaching an intersection controlled by a flashing red light, what must you do?

- A)** Reduce your speed and proceed with caution.
- B)** Come to a complete stop
 - yield to oncoming traffic and pedestrians
 - then proceed.
- C)** Come to a complete stop and remain stopped as long as the light is red.

Answer: B

Q20. After passing a vehicle traveling the same direction, it is safe to return to the right lane when:

- A)** After about three seconds.
- B)** When you can no longer see the passed vehicle over your right shoulder.
- C)** When you can see the entire front of the passed vehicle in your rearview mirror.

Answer: C

Q21. Which action can reduce incidents of road rage?

- A)** Use your horn frequently.
- B)** Always signal when changing lanes.
- C)** Talk on your cell phone while driving.
- D)** Tailgate slower drivers to encourage them.

Answer: B

Q22. A school bus is stopped ahead of you in your lane with red lights flashing. What must you do?

- A)** Stop and proceed when you think all of the children have exited the bus.
- B)** Slow to 25 mph and pass cautiously.
- C)** Stop for as long as the red lights are flashing.

Answer: C

Q23. Which statement about motorcycle, scooter, and moped operators is correct?

- A)** Are easy to see and are predictable.
- B)** Must share a traffic lane with another vehicle.
- C)** Have the right to use a complete traffic lane.

Answer: C

Q24. What does a solid yellow line on your side of the centerline indicate?

- A) Reduce your speed.
- B) Traffic light ahead.
- C) Do not pass.

Answer: C

Q25. What does a flashing yellow light at an intersection require you to do?

- A) Stop
 - then enter when safe.
- B) Yield to all traffic before crossing.
- C) Slow down and proceed through carefully.
- D) Speed up to clear the intersection.

Answer: C

Q26. The conviction of a 16- or 17-year-old for violating the electronic device law may result in:

- A) A \$500 fine.
- B) A 10-day suspension.
- C) A 30-day suspension.

Answer: C

Q27. When driving near a large commercial vehicle, you should:

- A) Drive on its right side when on curves and hills.
- B) Avoid driving beside it for long stretches of time.
- C) Follow the large vehicle closely to reduce wind drag on your vehicle.

Answer: B

Q28. When driving next to a dashed single white line, you may:

- A)** You cannot cross the line to pass.
- B)** You may cross the line to pass and change lanes.
- C)** You may only cross the line to change lanes if you are in the left lane.

Answer: B

Q29. If you are in a minor collision with no injuries and little damage, what should you do with your vehicle?

- A)** Leave your vehicle in the traffic lane until law enforcement arrives.
- B)** Move your vehicle out of the traffic lane
 - if possible.
- C)** Not move your vehicle for any reason.

Answer: B

Q30. When following a motorcycle, allow extra space in front of your vehicle because:

- A)** Passenger vehicle.
- B)** Station wagon.
- C)** Motorcycle.

Answer: C

Q31. If you drive too fast on a wet road, what danger may occur?

- A)** Your tires will start to glide over the water.
- B)** Your ability to judge speed and control will be impaired.
- C)** Your own spray will obscure the vision of other drivers.

Answer: A

Q32. Why is driving at night more dangerous than during the day?

- 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

Q33. When an emergency vehicle with flashing lights is approaching, you must:

- A)** Maintain your speed and stay in your lane until the vehicle has passed.
- B)** Move into the right lane and drive slowly until the vehicle has passed.
- C)** Pull over to the curb or edge of the road and stop until the vehicle has passed.

Answer: C

Q34. You should always travel at:

- A)** At a speed appropriate for road and weather conditions.
- B)** At the speed of vehicles surrounding you.
- C)** At the speed limit.

Answer: A

Q35. Which factor commonly contributes to crashes?

- A)** Getting adequate rest and staying alert.
- B)** Scanning the environment regularly.
- C)** Exceeding the posted speed limit or driving too fast for conditions.
- D)** Driving at the general flow of traffic.

Answer: C

Q36. You want to park downhill on a two-way road with no curb. Which way should you turn your front wheels?

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

Answer: B

Q37. Approaching an intersection with a flashing red light, how should you respond?

- A)** Slow down and yield the right-of-way.
- B)** Drive carefully through without stopping.
- C)** Come to a complete stop
 - check traffic
 - and go when safe.
- D)** Treat it as a yield sign.

Answer: C

Q38. When a school bus is stopped on the road ahead to load or unload children, you must:

- A)** Come to a complete stop until all the children have left the bus.
- B)** Come to a complete stop until the red lights stop flashing and the stop arm is withdrawn.
- C)** Change lanes
 - drive slowly
 - and pass the bus cautiously.

Answer: B

Q39. When is it appropriate to use your horn?

- A)** When another driver makes a mistake.
- B)** When it may help prevent a collision.
- C)** To encourage slow drivers to move faster.
- D)** To greet friends on the sidewalk.

Answer: B

Q40. When merging onto an interstate, what is the correct action?

- A)** Always stop before entering.
- B)** Merge carefully into a safe gap in traffic.
- C)** Expect traffic to clear because you have the right-of-way.
- D)** Cross two lanes at once to reach the fast lane.

Answer: B

Q41. Is it ever acceptable to drive off the paved road to pass another vehicle?

- A)** If there are two or more lanes traveling in your direction.
- B)** If the vehicle ahead is turning left.
- C)** Under no circumstances.

Answer: C

Q42. There is an emergency vehicle approaching with flashing lights and a siren. How should you respond?

- A)** Slow down and keep moving.
- B)** Maintain your speed.
- C)** Pull over to the right and stop.

Answer: C

Q43. What does a steady green traffic light allow you to do at an intersection?

- A)** Increase your speed.
- B)** Adjust your mirrors.
- C)** Continue through the intersection at a safe and reasonable speed if it is clear.

Answer: C

Q44. When is it permitted to pass another vehicle?

- A)** You are on a hill or curve.
- B)** You are on a road with a solid line next to your lane.
- C)** You are on a road with a broken line next to your lane.

Answer: C

Q45. When stopping on snow or ice while driving a vehicle with ABS, what should you do?

- A)** Pump the brakes.
- B)** Press and hold the brake pedal firmly.
- C)** Stay off the brakes and wait for the car to drift to a stop.

Answer: B

Q46. Vehicles stopped behind a school bus with its red lights flashing must remain stopped until:

- A)** All students are off the bus.
- B)** The stop arm is retracted.
- C)** The stop arm is retracted and the bus resumes motion.

Answer: C

Q47. Stopping distances and crash severity:

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

Answer: C

Q48. When should your wheels NOT be pointed straight ahead?

- A)** When parked on a hill or sloping driveway.
- B)** When waiting to make a left turn at a light.
- C)** When parked on a level roadway with no curb.
- D)** When stopped in traffic behind another car.

Answer: A

Q49. If oncoming headlights are blinding you at night, what is the recommended technique?

- A)** Look toward the right edge of the road.
- B)** Switch your lights to high beams.
- C)** Turn your lights on and off.

Answer: A

Q50. Which of the following persons' instructions must drivers obey?

- 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