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Q1. If you park facing uphill on a street with a curb, which way should you turn your front wheels?

- A) Turn the front wheels toward the curb.
- B) Turn the front wheels away from the curb.
- C) Leave the front wheels straight.

Answer: B

Q2. What does a yellow left-turn arrow on a traffic signal signify?

- A) Drivers should immediately stop and remain stopped.
- B) The protected left turn is ending and you should prepare to yield.
- C) The left turn will remain protected indefinitely.

Answer: B

Q3. How must you yield to an emergency vehicle using sirens and flashing lights?

- A) Drive as close to the right edge and stop
 - taking care not to stop in an intersection.
- B) Pull into the right lane and slow until it has passed.
- C) Stop immediately even if you are in the middle of an intersection.

Answer: A

Q4. When visibility is reduced by fog, what should you do?

- A) Pull off the road and stop if visibility is too poor
- B) Slow down and use your low beam headlights
- C) Use your high beam headlights
- D) Flash your headlights to warn others

Answer: B

Q5. If you want to enter the freeway but don't see a gap in traffic, what should you do on the ramp?

- A)** Slow down or stop at the end of the ramp and wait for a safe gap.
- B)** Stop at the end of the ramp and wait for a gap.
- C)** Maintain speed and force a gap.

Answer: B

Q6. What problems can a worn suspension cause?

- A)** Vehicle control problems
 - making the car harder to steer and less stable.
- B)** Squealing brakes only.
- C)** Excess slack in the steering column only.

Answer: A

Q7. How much following distance should you maintain for every 10 mph of speed?

- A)** One car length for every 10 mph.
- B)** One-half car length for every 10 mph.
- C)** Three car lengths for every 10 mph.
- D)** Two car lengths for every 10 mph.

Answer: A

Q8. If someone is following you too closely on a two-lane road and you cannot change lanes, what should you do?

- A)** Reduce your speed slowly to encourage the tailgater to drive around you.
- B)** Speed up to increase the distance between you and the other car.
- C)** Apply your brakes to slow down
 - then resume your original speed.

Answer: A

Q9. What should you do when driving through a work zone?

- A)** Follow the driver ahead closely.
- B)** Avoid tailgating and keep a safe following distance.
- C)** Pass other vehicles whenever possible.

Answer: B

Q10. Before changing lanes or passing, what should you do?

- A)** Signal and check mirrors and blind spots.
- B)** Assume other drivers will make space for you.
- C)** Only check your inside rearview mirror.

Answer: A

Q11. When turning left from a two-way street onto a one-way street, into which lane should you turn?

- A)** Into any available lane.
- B)** Into the first lane in the direction of travel.
- C)** Into the second lane from the curb.

Answer: B

Q12. Which ability is affected first by alcohol?

- A)** Judgment
- B)** Vision
- C)** Balance

Answer: A

Q13. If you are in the left lane and vehicles are passing you on the right, what should you do when a driver behind wants to go faster?

- A) Stay in your lane so you don't impede traffic
- B) Drive onto the left shoulder to let others pass
- C) Move into the right lane when it is safe
- D) Speed up to maintain the left lane

Answer: C

Q14. If a vehicle is equipped with airbags, what should you still do?

- A) Always wear both lap and shoulder seat belts.
- B) Rely on airbags and forgo seat belts.
- C) Wear only the lap belt.

Answer: A

Q15. When an emergency vehicle with flashing lights and siren is approaching you, what should you do?

- A) Continue driving but stay out of its path.
- B) Pull over toward the right edge of the road and stop.
- C) Try to reach your destination before it catches up to you.

Answer: B

Q16. At a four-way stop, who has the right-of-way?

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

Answer: A

Q17. Vehicles stopped behind a school bus with 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: B

Q18. If oncoming headlights are dazzling you at night, how should you respond?

- A)** Glance toward the right edge of the road and avoid looking directly at the lights.
- B)** Switch your headlights to high beams.
- C)** Turn your headlights off and on repeatedly.

Answer: A

Q19. When is it necessary to use your low beams?

- A)** In fog
 - rain
 - snow
 - or mist.
- B)** Only on a lighted street.
- C)** Only on a freeway.
- D)** When following another vehicle at any distance.

Answer: A

Q20. If your vehicle's wheels drop off the pavement edge, what should you do?

- A)** Reduce speed
 - check traffic
 - and when safe gradually steer back onto the road.
- B)** Turn sharply back onto the roadway immediately.
- C)** Stop and wait on the shoulder.

Answer: A

Q21. Why should you signal continuously while making a turn?

- A)** It lets other road users know your intentions.
- B)** It is illegal to turn off your signal early.
- C)** It always shortens travel time.
- D)** It makes the turn safer even if not needed.

Answer: A

Q22. Before stopping at a traffic signal or sign, what should you check?

- A)** Press down hard on the accelerator.
- B)** Check your mirrors for surrounding traffic.
- C)** Set the parking brake.

Answer: B

Q23. If a steady green light turns yellow and you are already in the intersection, what should you do?

- A)** Increase speed to clear the intersection.
- B)** Stop immediately.
- C)** Clear the intersection safely and promptly.
- D)** Back up slowly.

Answer: C

Q24. Why should you look farther ahead on a freeway than on a city street?

- A)** To spot potential hazards earlier.
- B)** Because the speed limit is always higher.
- C)** To be able to change lanes more often.

Answer: A

Q25. When you see an emergency vehicle using flashing lights and siren, 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

Q26. If a large truck or bus is turning right where you also intend to turn, what should you do?

- A)** Try to cut in front of it before it completes its turn.
- B)** Wait until the truck or bus has completed its turn.
- C)** Squeeze between the vehicle and the curb.

Answer: B

Q27. How should you behave when driving through a construction zone?

- A)** Stop to watch workers.
- B)** Slow down
 - obey signs
 - and avoid staring at the work while maintaining a safe following distance.
- C)** Decrease your following distance.
- D)** Pass quickly without regard to signs.

Answer: B

Q28. If an oncoming vehicle fails to dim high beams at night, how should you respond?

- A)** Glance toward the right edge of your lane and watch the vehicle from the corner of your eye.
- B)** Look ahead toward the left edge of your lane.
- C)** Keep looking straight ahead in your lane.

Answer: A

Q29. When changing lanes, what is the correct way to check the area you cannot see with mirrors?

- A)** Look over your shoulder toward the direction you plan to move.
- B)** Rely only on the rearview mirror.
- C)** Use only the left side mirror.

Answer: A

Q30. Who may legally use marked handicap parking spaces?

- A)** Only drivers or passengers with the appropriate license plate or hanging placard.
- B)** Anyone when other spaces are full.
- C)** People who claim they do not feel well that day.

Answer: A

Q31. Why is it dangerous to follow a motorcycle too closely?

- A)** Because motorcycles do not obey traffic laws.
- B)** Because motorcycles can stop much more quickly than a typical vehicle.
- C)** Because motorcycles always drive slower than cars.

Answer: B

Q32. What is defensive driving?

- A)** Driving aggressively to assert the right-of-way.
- B)** Using safe strategies to prevent crashes.
- C)** Driving more dangerously than other drivers.

Answer: B

Q33. If two drivers arrive at the same time at a four-way stop, who has the right-of-way?

- A)** The driver on the right has the right-of-way.
- B)** The driver on the left has the right-of-way.
- C)** One driver may continue driving without stopping.

Answer: A

Q34. Is it ever acceptable to drive off the paved roadway to pass another vehicle?

- A)** Under no circumstances — do not drive off the main traveled portion to pass.
- B)** Only if the vehicle ahead is turning left.
- C)** If there are two or more lanes going your direction
 - you may.

Answer: A

Q35. Which statement about driving through roadwork zones is true?

- A)** Fines are often higher in work zones and you must obey posted work zone limits.
- B)** You must slow down and obey all signs and flaggers in the Cone Zone.
- C)** You must slow down even if no workers are visible.

Answer: B

Q36. To whom must drivers turning left yield?

- A)** Oncoming traffic that is going straight or turning right.
- B)** Vehicles following behind them.
- C)** Drivers making a right turn

Answer: A

Q37. Which statement about railroad crossings is true?

- A)** You have the right-of-way at a railroad crossing.
- B)** You must stop when directed to do so by a flagger or stop sign.
- C)** You should always speed up to cross faster.
- D)** Never expect trains to be present at crossings.

Answer: B

Q38. If an officer is directing traffic at an intersection where the traffic light is also working, whose directions should you follow?

- A)** The directions of the traffic light.
- B)** The officer's directions.
- C)** Ignore both and proceed cautiously.

Answer: B

Q39. Which headlights should you use in fog, heavy rain, or snow?

- A)** Low beam headlights.
- B)** High beam headlights.
- C)** Fog lights only without headlights.

Answer: A

Q40. To improve visibility reduced by rain or fog, drivers should use:

- A)** Low beam headlights.
- B)** High beam headlights.
- C)** Parking lights.

Answer: A

Q41. If you park facing downhill on a two-way road with no curb, how should you point your front wheels?

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

Answer: B

Q42. What is the only thing that will lower your blood alcohol concentration (BAC)?

- A)** Drinking coffee
- B)** Time
- C)** Taking a cold shower
- D)** Eating fatty foods

Answer: B

Q43. Where is it safe to pass another vehicle?

- A)** Within a curve where there are no oncoming vehicles
- B)** Wherever signs and/or pavement markings permit passing
- C)** Within an intersection where there are no oncoming vehicles

Answer: B

Q44. What does a double solid yellow centerline indicate?

- A)** Passing is prohibited in both directions.
- B)** The right-hand lane may pass.
- C)** Both lanes may pass.

Answer: A

Q45. What can happen if you take prescription medication while drinking alcohol?

- A)** It can make you unfit to drive safely.
- B)** It will likely make you more alert.
- C)** There will likely be no effect on driving ability.

Answer: A

Q46. When merging onto a freeway, what speed should you aim for?

- A)** At or near the speed of traffic on the freeway so you can merge smoothly.
- B)** Five to ten mph slower than the freeway traffic.
- C)** The posted speed limit for unrelated freeway traffic regardless of flow.

Answer: A

Q47. Backing your vehicle is:

- A)** Always dangerous.
- B)** Dangerous if you have a helper.
- C)** Only dangerous in large vehicles.

Answer: A

Q48. When are large trucks likely to lose speed and create a hazard for following vehicles?

- A)** When driving up long or steep hills.
- B)** When driving down long
 - gradual hills.
- C)** When driving through long
 - gradual curves.

Answer: A

Q49. When must you yield to a pedestrian?

- A)** Only if they are in a crosswalk.
- B)** At all times
 - even if the pedestrian is not obeying traffic laws.
- C)** Only if the traffic lights favor the pedestrian.

Answer: B

Q50. When preparing to exit the interstate, when should you reduce your speed?

- A)** About halfway through the deceleration lane.
- B)** As you approach the deceleration lane.
- C)** Immediately after entering the deceleration lane.

Answer: C