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Q1. A yellow and black diamond-shaped sign is used to:

- A) Warn you about conditions on or near the road ahead.
- B) Provide directions to towns and cities.
- C) State traffic laws and regulations.

Answer: A

Q2. What is the typical maximum speed limit on a paved divided highway unless otherwise posted?

- A) 40 mph.
- B) 55 mph.
- C) 70 mph.

Answer: B

Q3. When must you stop for a school bus?

- A) When it approaches you
 - even if its lights are not flashing.
- B) That is parked on the shoulder of the road with no one in it.
- C) If you are both driving on a two-lane highway and its red lights are flashing.

Answer: C

Q4. To pass a slower vehicle on a two-lane, two-way road, what is required?

- A) Never cross the centerline.
- B) Use the lane belonging to oncoming traffic when it is safe and legal to do so.
- C) Use the shoulder at any time.

Answer: B

Q5. What does a steady red traffic light require drivers to do?

- A) Drive through the intersection if there is no crossing traffic.
- B) Stop and come to a complete stop before the crosswalk or stop line.
- C) Stop only if a police officer is nearby.

Answer: B

Q6. If a train is close enough or fast enough to be a danger, you must do what?

- A) Slow down and proceed with caution
- B) Cross the tracks at your own risk
- C) Not cross until the train has completely passed
- D) Wave to the engineer

Answer: C

Q7. Approximately how far might a fully loaded tractor-trailer traveling at 55 mph take to come to a complete stop?

- A) 50 feet
- B) 125 feet
- C) 400 feet

Answer: C

Q8. Which technique helps avoid crashes on icy or snowy roads?

- A) Engage four-wheel drive and reduce speed as needed
- B) Get off highways as quickly as possible
- C) Add extra weight to the vehicle for traction
- D) Drive at normal speeds but use lower gears

Answer: A

Q9. Which practice helps prevent rear-end collisions when stopping?

- A) Release the gas pedal and let your vehicle slow before applying the brakes.
- B) Avoid sudden stops.
- C) Before stopping
 - check your mirrors for traffic behind you and brake gradually when possible.

Answer: A

Q10. If your vehicle's turn signals fail, what should you use to indicate a turn?

- A) Hand signals
- B) Your horn
- C) Headlights
- D) Hazard lights

Answer: A

Q11. What does a green arrow traffic signal mean for the lane it applies to?

- A) You may proceed in the direction indicated by the arrow
- B) It only applies on one-way streets
- C) You may proceed only if a circular green light is also on
- D) It means slow down and prepare to stop

Answer: A

Q12. What are highway signs called that require drivers to obey the indicated instruction?

- A) Warning signs.
- B) Regulatory signs.
- C) Information signs.

Answer: B

Q13. You must stop at a railroad crossing when which condition exists?

- A) Directed by a flagger
- B) A stop sign controls the crossing
- C) Flashing red signals and gates are operating
- D) Any of the above

Answer: D

Q14. When approaching a blind pedestrian using a white cane or guide dog, you should:

- A) Slow down and be prepared to stop
 - yielding the right-of-way.
- B) Take the right-of-way.
- C) Proceed normally at the same speed.

Answer: A

Q15. When approaching a roundabout, you should always do what?

- A) Increase your speed
- B) Slow down before entering
- C) Come to a complete stop at the yield line every time
- D) Signal left as you enter

Answer: B

Q16. If another driver behaves aggressively and cuts you off, what is the safest immediate response?

- A) Flash your vehicle's lights to let the aggressive driver know they are wrong.
- B) Stay calm and move out of the aggressive driver's way.
- C) Call the police immediately.

Answer: B

Q17. Diagonal stripes sloping down to the right on a barricade indicate that drivers should:

- A) Bear to the left
- B) Bear to the right
- C) Stop and wait
- D) Turn around

Answer: B

Q18. Where is passing never permitted?

- A) When approaching an intersection.
- B) On a hill or curve.
- C) When school bus lights are flashing.

Answer: C

Q19. Which is true about crosswalks?

- A) Crosswalks always have horizontal pavement markings
- B) They may be marked or unmarked and still exist legally
- C) Crosswalks are always unmarked
- D) Vertical pavement markings indicate crosswalks

Answer: B

Q20. What lighting should you use when driving in rain?

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

Answer: A

Q21. Driving while distracted by any activity usually causes which effect?

- A) It is never dangerous
- B) Drivers react more slowly to hazards
- C) Drivers tend to speed up
- D) It improves focus on the road

Answer: B

Q22. What does a double solid yellow centerline on a two-lane road indicate?

- A) Lanes are moving in the same direction and drivers are not permitted to pass.
- B) Lanes are moving in opposite directions and drivers are permitted to pass when it is safe to do so.
- C) Lanes are moving in opposite directions and drivers are not permitted to pass.

Answer: C

Q23. How can you reduce the chance of hydroplaning?

- A) Replace tires with good tread
 - maintain correct tire pressure
 - and avoid speeding on wet roads.
- B) Drive faster to rise above the water.
- C) Use low tire pressure intentionally.

Answer: A

Q24. You are in the right lane on a multilane highway and want to move into the left lane. What should you do before changing lanes?

- A) Look in your rearview mirror for traffic behind you.
- B) Check your mirrors
 - signal
 - and look over your left shoulder for traffic in your blind spot before changing lanes.
- C) Look in your side mirror only and then change lanes.

Answer: B

Q25. What does a flashing yellow arrow for left turns allow you to do?

- A) Merge into the lane in the direction of the arrow.
- B) Come to a complete stop before turning.
- C) Turn left after yielding to oncoming traffic and pedestrians.

Answer: C

Q26. When making a left turn, to whom must you yield the right-of-way?

- A) Pedestrians who are already in the intersection.
- B) Oncoming traffic.
- C) Other drivers who are already in the intersection.

Answer: B

Q27. When is parking or stopping on the shoulder of a freeway permitted?

- A) If no part of your vehicle is on the road.
- B) Only in an emergency.
- C) As long as you turn on your four-way (emergency) flashers.

Answer: B

Q28. If you turn onto a two-lane road divided by a broken yellow line, what do you know immediately?

- A) You are on a two-way road.
- B) You are on a one-way road.
- C) The road is under repair.

Answer: A

Q29. A regulatory sign with a red circle and diagonal slash through a black symbol means:

- A) That drivers should come to a complete stop.
- B) That the depicted action is forbidden.
- C) That some drivers should yield to others.

Answer: B

Q30. If two vehicles reach an uncontrolled intersection simultaneously, which one must yield?

- A) The largest vehicle
- B) The car on the left
- C) The car on the left must yield to the car on the right
- D) The car on the right must yield

Answer: C

Q31. If turning left onto a one-way street, into which lane should you complete the turn?

- A) The lane closest to your previous lane
- B) The right lane
- C) Either lane as long as it's clear
- D) The far left lane only

Answer: A

Q32. When making a turn, you should do what with your speed?

- A) Maintain your speed
- B) Increase your speed
- C) Reduce your speed
- D) Vary your speed

Answer: C

Q33. Unless otherwise posted, what is the maximum speed limit in a business or residential district?

- A) 55 mph
- B) 40 mph
- C) 25 mph
- D) 35 mph

Answer: C

Q34. A driver who travels much slower than the speed limit:

- A) Always has the right-of-way
- B) Is necessarily a very safe driver
- C) Should allow following cars to pass if traffic is backing up
- D) May ignore pullouts and continue slowly

Answer: C

Q35. When approaching a steady yellow traffic light, drivers should:

- A) Accelerate to beat the red
- B) Slow to a stop unless already in the intersection
- C) Ignore it and proceed at the same speed
- D) Back up if possible

Answer: B

Q36. After stopping at a stop sign, which scanning sequence is recommended before proceeding?

- A) Look left first
 - then right
 - then left again.
- B) Move when the vehicle ahead of you moves.
- C) Check your rearview mirror for cars tailgating.

Answer: A

Q37. What usually causes hydroplaning?

- A) Driving too fast on a wet surface
- B) Excessive stops
- C) Using cruise control
- D) Low tire pressure only

Answer: A

Q38. When making a right turn on a steady green light, what must you do?

- A) Maintain your normal driving speed.
- B) Yield to pedestrians.
- C) Stop and look for nearby police cars.

Answer: B

Q39. What should be your first response to reduced visibility?

- A) Turn on your headlights
- B) Reduce your speed
- C) Turn on windshield wipers
- D) Pull off the road immediately

Answer: B

Q40. You are in the left lane and want to move into the right lane. What checks should you make before changing lanes?

- A) Check mirrors
 - signal
 - and look over your left shoulder.
- B) Check your mirrors
 - signal
 - and look over your right shoulder for traffic in the blind spot.
- C) Check mirrors only and then change lanes.

Answer: B

Q41. If you come to a roadway that is covered with water, what should you do?

- A) Drive until you think the water is too deep.
- B) Turn around and find another way to go.
- C) Drive through
 - as it is unlikely the standing water will become too deep.

Answer: B

Q42. What do pennant-shaped traffic signs normally indicate?

- A) Speed limits.
- B) No passing zones.
- C) School zones.

Answer: B

Q43. If an aggressive driver is following you closely, what should you do?

- A) Stare at the driver as they pass.
- B) Speed up as they pass to discourage them.
- C) Try to get out of their way (slow down or change lanes).

Answer: C

Q44. When approaching railroad tracks, what should you do?

- A) Look
 - listen
 - slow down
 - and be prepared to stop
- B) Speed up to cross before a gate lowers
- C) Try to drive around a lowered gate
- D) Stop only if you see a train

Answer: A

Q45. If you are following a school bus or a tank truck carrying flammable liquids, what should you be prepared to do?

- A) Decrease your following distance.
- B) Pass them on the right.
- C) Be prepared to stop at all railroad crossings.

Answer: C

Q46. On a highway marked by two solid yellow centerlines, when is it permissible to cross them?

- A) To pass other vehicles when there is no oncoming traffic.
- B) To cross only to make a left turn into or from an alley
 - private road
 - or driveway.
- C) Under no circumstances.

Answer: B

Q47. When should you use your turn signal?

- A) Only when other traffic is present.
- B) Only during the maneuver
 - not before.
- C) Whenever you change lanes
 - pull into or out of a parking space
 - or pull into traffic from a parking area or alley.

Answer: C

Q48. If you hear or see an approaching emergency vehicle while on a divided multilane highway, you should:

- A) Ignore it if other lanes exist for it to use
- B) Stop immediately in your lane
- C) Slow
 - move to provide a clear path
 - and stop
- D) Speed up to get out of its way

Answer: C

Q49. A useful rule for passing is to:

- A) Pass on the right whenever possible
- B) Drive with the flow of traffic and pass only when necessary
- C) Always try to get to the front of slow traffic
- D) Pass multiple vehicles at once to reduce time spent passing

Answer: B

Q50. At dusk or during heavy overcast, which vehicle lights should you use?

- A) Parking lights.
- B) Headlights (low beam).
- C) Four-way flashers.

Answer: B