

# THEORY TEST FOR DRIVERS & RIDERS

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## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- For each question you must find the right answer(s) and mark an X in the box next to it.
- Do not write any comments on your test paper
- Two examples have been done to show you how to mark your answers.
- If you make a mistake cross out your original choice completely  and mark your other choice as shown.

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Why should you always reduce your speed when travelling in fog?

Mark one answer

- a  The brakes do not work as well
- b  The engine will take longer to warm up
- c  It is more difficult to see events ahead
- d  You will be dazzled by other headlights

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You have just passed these warning lights. What hazard would you expect to see next?



Mark one answer

- a  A school crossing patrol
- b  An ambulance station
- c  A level crossing with no barrier
- d  An opening bridge

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'Red routes' in major cities have been introduced to

Mark one answer

- a  help the traffic flow
- b  provide better parking
- c  allow lorries to load more freely
- d  raise the speed limits

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Why should you make sure that your indicators are cancelled after turning?

Mark one answer

- a  To avoid flattening the battery
- b  To avoid misleading other road users
- c  To avoid damage to the indicator relay
- d  To avoid dazzling other road users

5

If you are feeling tired it is best to stop as soon as you can. Until then you should

Mark one answer

- a  keep changing speed to improve concentration
- b  gently tap the steering wheel
- c  ensure a supply of fresh air
- d  increase your speed to find a stopping place quickly

6

You are about to overtake when you see this sign. You should



**Mark one answer**

- a  move to the right to get a better view
- b  hold back until you can see clearly ahead
- c  switch your headlights on before overtaking
- d  overtake the other driver as quickly as possible

7

A vehicle pulls out in front of you at a junction. What should you do?

**Mark one answer**

- a  Slow down and be ready to stop
- b  Flash your headlights and drive up close behind
- c  Accelerate past it immediately
- d  Swerve past it and sound your horn

8

You are turning left into a side road. Pedestrians are crossing the road near the junction. You must



**Mark one answer**

- a  wait for them to cross
- b  sound your horn
- c  wave them on
- d  switch on your hazard lights

9

You have a collision whilst your car is moving. What is the FIRST thing you must do?

**Mark one answer**

- a  Call your insurance company
- b  Stop only if someone waves at you
- c  Stop at the scene of the incident
- d  Call the emergency services

10

Your vehicle has broken down on an automatic railway level crossing. What should you do FIRST?

**Mark one answer**

- a  Try to push the vehicle clear of the crossing as soon as possible
- b  Get everyone out of the vehicle and clear of the crossing
- c  Telephone your vehicle recovery service to move it
- d  Walk along the track to give warning to any approaching trains

11

What does this sign mean?



Mark one answer

- a  No overtaking
- b  No motor vehicles
- c  Two-way traffic
- d  You have priority

12

A trailer must stay securely hitched up to the towing vehicle. What additional safety device can be fitted to the trailer braking system?

Mark one answer

- a  Stabiliser
- b  Breakaway cable
- c  Jockey wheel
- d  Corner steadies

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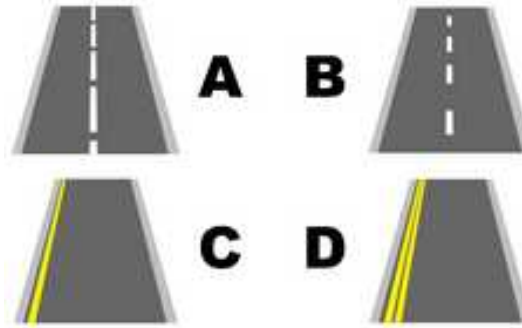
Why should you allow extra room when overtaking a motorcyclist on a windy day?

Mark one answer

- a  The rider may be travelling faster than normal
- b  The rider may stop suddenly
- c  The rider may turn off suddenly to get out of the wind
- d  The rider may be blown across in front of you

14

Which is a hazard warning line?



Mark one answer

- a  A
- b  B
- c  C
- d  D

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When driving in falling snow you should

Mark one answer

- a  brake gently in plenty of time
- b  be ready to steer sharply
- c  brake firmly and quickly
- d  use sidelights only

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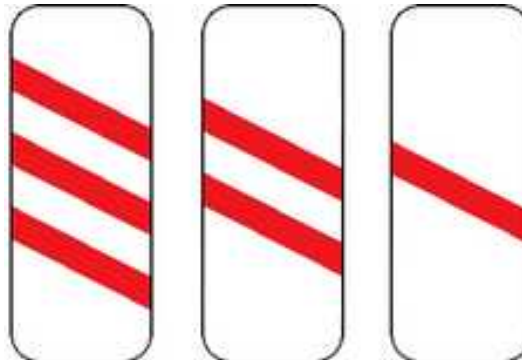
Front fog lights should be used ONLY when

Mark one answer

- a  driving after midnight
- b  visibility is seriously reduced
- c  travelling in very light rain
- d  daylight is fading

17

You will see these red and white markers when approaching



Mark one answer

- a  the end of a motorway
- b  a concealed level crossing
- c  a concealed speed limit sign
- d  the end of a dual carriageway

18 You are on a road that is only wide enough for one vehicle. There is a car coming towards you. What should you do?

**Mark one answer**


- a  Pull into a passing place on your left
- b  Force the other driver to reverse
- c  Pull into a passing place if your vehicle is wider
- d  Pull into a passing place on your right

19 You must have valid insurance before you can

**Mark one answer**

- a  obtain a tax disc
- b  buy or sell a vehicle
- c  make a SORN declaration
- d  apply for a driving licence

20 What does this signal from a police officer mean to oncoming traffic?



**Mark one answer**

- a  Stop
- b  Go ahead
- c  Turn right
- d  Turn left

21 After a collision someone has suffered a burn. The burn needs to be cooled. What is the shortest time it should be cooled for?

**Mark one answer**

- a  30 seconds
- b  60 seconds
- c  10 minutes
- d  5 minutes

22 You arrive at the scene of a motorcycle crash. The rider is injured. When should the helmet be removed?

**Mark one answer**

- a  Only when it is essential
- b  Always, unless they are in shock
- c  Always straight away
- d  Only when the motorcyclist asks

23 You are driving on a motorway. You have to slow down quickly due to a hazard. You should

**Mark one answer**

- a  sound your horn
- b  switch on your headlights
- c  switch on your hazard lights
- d  flash your headlights

24 When joining a motorway you must always

**Mark one answer**

- a  give way to traffic already on the motorway
- b  come to a stop before joining the motorway
- c  use the hard shoulder
- d  stop at the end of the acceleration lane

25 It is very windy. You are about to overtake a motorcyclist. You should

**Mark one answer**

- a  keep close as you pass
- b  allow extra room
- c  overtake slowly
- d  sound your horn

26 You are following two cyclists. They approach a roundabout in the left-hand lane. In which direction should you expect the cyclists to go?

**Mark one answer**

- a  Any direction
- b  Left
- c  Right
- d  Straight ahead

27 Which TWO are badly affected if the tyres are under-inflated?

**Mark two answers**

- a  Changing gear
- b  Parking
- c  Braking
- d  Steering

28

When emerging from junctions, which is most likely to obstruct your view?

**Mark one answer**

- a  Windscreen wipers
- b  Steering wheel
- c  Windscreen pillars
- d  Interior mirror

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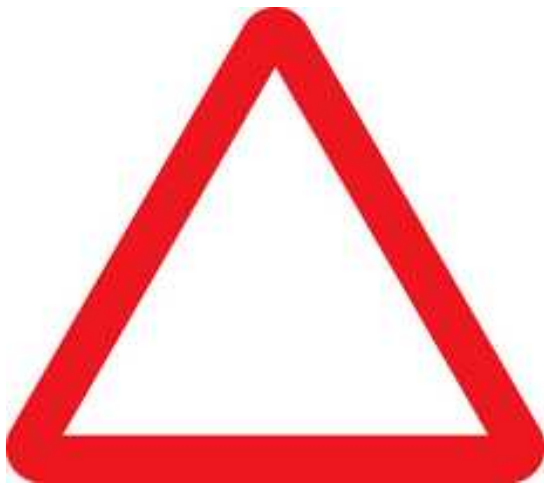
What are TWO main reasons why coasting downhill is wrong?

**Mark two answers**

- a  The vehicle will get faster
- b  You have less braking and steering control
- c  It damages the engine
- d  It puts more wear and tear on the tyres
- e  Fuel consumption will be higher

30

What are triangular signs for?



**Mark one answer**

- a  To give warnings
- b  To give directions
- c  To give information
- d  To give orders

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What does this sign mean?

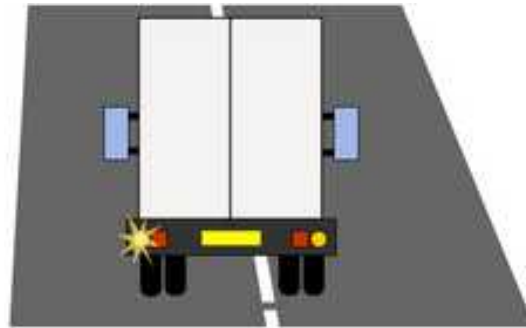


**Mark one answer**

- a  With-flow bus and cycle lane
- b  No waiting for buses and cycles
- c  Contraflow bus and cycle lane
- d  No buses and cycles allowed

32

You are following a long vehicle. It approaches a crossroads and signals left, but moves out to the right. You should



**Mark one answer**

- a  assume the signal is wrong and it is really turning right
- b  stay well back and give it room
- c  overtake as it starts to slow down
- d  get closer in order to pass it quickly

33

You will find that driving smoothly can

**Mark one answer**

- a  reduce journey times by about 15%
- b  reduce fuel consumption by about 15%
- c  increase journey times by about 15%
- d  increase fuel consumption by about 15%

34

What does this sign mean?



Mark one answer

- a  Bridge over the road
- b  Water across the road
- c  Uneven road surface
- d  Road ahead ends

35

You are driving towards this left-hand bend.  
What dangers should you be aware of?



Mark one answer

- a  A vehicle overtaking you
- b  No white lines in the centre of the road
- c  No sign to warn you of the bend
- d  Pedestrians walking towards you

36

What does this sign mean?



Mark one answer

- a  Wait at the barriers
- b  Give way to farm vehicles
- c  Wait at the crossroads
- d  Give way to trams

37

Someone is waiting to cross at a zebra crossing.  
They are standing on the pavement. You should normally

Mark one answer

- a  stop, let them cross, wait patiently
- b  ignore them as they are still on the pavement
- c  go on quickly before they step onto the crossing
- d  stop before you reach the zigzag lines and let them cross

38

To supervise a learner driver you must

Mark two answers

- a  have held a full licence for at least 3 years
- b  be an approved driving instructor
- c  be at least 21 years old
- d  hold an advanced driving certificate

39 A long, heavily-laden lorry is taking a long time to overtake you. What should you do?

**Mark one answer**


a  Speed up

b  Change direction

c  Slow down

d  Hold your speed

40 Yellow zigzag lines on the road outside schools mean



**Mark one answer**

a  you must not drive over these lines

b  you should not park or stop on these lines

c  sound your horn to alert other road users

d  stop to allow children to cross

41 Which THREE does the law require you to keep in good condition?

**Mark three answers**

a  Seat belts

b  Transmission

c  Gears

d  Headlights

e  Windscreen

42 Catalytic converters are fitted to make the

**Mark one answer**


a  exhaust fumes cleaner

b  engine produce more power

c  engine run quietly

d  exhaust system easier to replace

43 What is the main hazard shown in this picture?



**Mark one answer**

a  Parked cars around the corner

b  Vehicles turning right

c  Vehicles doing U-turns

d  The cyclist crossing the road

44 Where is the safest place to park your vehicle at night?

**Mark one answer**

a  On a busy road

b  Near a red route

c  In a quiet car park

d  In a garage

45 You service your own vehicle. How should you get rid of the old engine oil?

**Mark one answer**

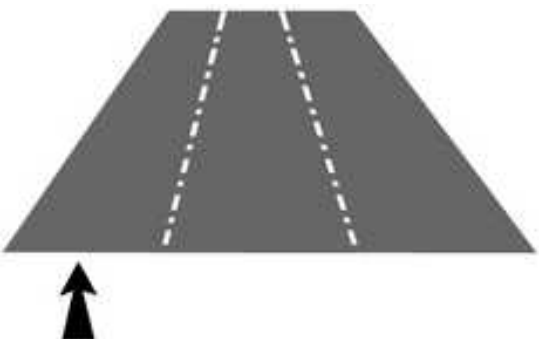
a  Take it to a local authority site

b  Tip it into a hole in the ground

c  Put it into your dustbin

d  Pour it down a drain

46 The left-hand lane on a three-lane motorway is for use by



**Mark one answer**

a  any vehicle

b  large vehicles only

c  slow vehicles only

d  emergency vehicles only

47

You are on a wet motorway with surface spray.

You should use

**Mark one answer**

- a  sidelights
- b  hazard flashers
- c  rear fog lights
- d  dipped headlights

48

Diamond-shaped signs give instructions to



**Mark one answer**

- a  taxi drivers
- b  tram drivers
- c  bus drivers
- d  lorry drivers

49

You cannot see clearly behind when reversing.

What should you do?

**Mark one answer**

- a  Ask someone to guide you
- b  Look in the nearside mirror
- c  Open the door and look behind
- d  Open your window to look behind

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How can you tell if you are driving on ice?

**Mark two answers**

- a  The steering becomes lighter
- b  The tyres make a rumbling noise
- c  The steering becomes heavier
- d  The tyres make hardly any noise



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- Q 47. - D
- Q 48. - B
- Q 49. - A
- Q 50. - A D