Theory test 1  **Answers in red**

1) What does this sign on the instrument panel mean?

- □ A - The fan-belt has broke
- □ B - The handbrake is on
- □ C - The lights are on main beam
- □ D - The lights are on dipped headlights

2) You must not stop on a motorway. What are the 2 exceptions to this rule?  
2 answers required

- □ A - When you have been driving for longer than 2 hours
- □ B - In an emergency
- □ C - When flashing red lights show above your lane
- □ D - When you want to pick up a hitch-hiker
- □ E - To answer your mobile phone

3) If you see a vehicle with a flashing Green light, what might it signify?

- □ A – Police
- □ B – Doctor
- □ C - Fire engine
- □ D - Slow moving or broken down vehicle

4) When driving on a motorway, when should you indicate to change lanes?

- □ A - You should indicate to pull out but not on returning to a lane
- □ B - You should always indicate to change lanes
- □ C - You only need to indicate when there are other drivers behind you
- □ D - Don't indicate when you are on the motorway

5) During an emergency stop your wheels lock and skid, would you:-

- □ A - Turn the steering wheel to the left
- □ B - Turn the steering wheel to the right
- □ C - Release the brake and let the vehicle roll to a stop
- □ D - Release the brake and then re-apply it
6) How long is an MOT valid for?

- □ A - 1 year after the date of issue
- □ B - 3 years after date of issue
- □ C - 50,000 miles
- □ D - 100,000 miles

7) In windy conditions you need to take extra care when?

- □ A - Using the brakes
- □ B - Making a hill start
- □ C - Passing pedal cyclist
- □ D - Turning into a narrow road

8) A two-second gap between you and the car in front is when conditions are?

- □ A – Dry
- □ B – Wet
- □ C – Foggy
- □ D - Damp

9) The approach to a pedestrian crossing is usually marked with:-

- □ A - Yellow lines
- □ B - Zig-zag lines
- □ C - Double white lines
- □ D - Single white lines

10) You are towing a small trailer on a busy three-lane motorway. You must:
2 answers required

- □ A - not overtake
- □ B - not exceed 60 mph
- □ C - use only the left and centre lanes
- □ D - have a stabiliser fitted

11) What does this motorway sign show?

- □ A - Low-flying aircraft or sudden noise
- □ B - Stop on the hard shoulder
- □ C - Use the nearside lane
- □ D - Leave the motorway at the next exit
12) What does this warning light on the instrument panel mean?

- □ A - Engine oil low
- □ B - Hazard warning light
- □ C - Brake fluid is low or the handbrake is on
- □ D - Engine overheating

13) A full photo card Driving Licence is valid for?

- □ A - 3 years
- □ B - 5 years
- □ C - 10 years
- □ D - Until you reach 70

14) You are travelling on the motorway and are feeling tired. What should you do?

- □ A - carry on but slow down
- □ B - leave the motorway at the next exit
- □ C - complete your journey as quickly as possible
- □ D - stop on the hard shoulder

15) What is the normal (national) speed limit for cars in the left-hand lane of a three-lane motorway?

- □ A - 40 mph
- □ B - 50 mph
- □ C - 60 mph
- □ D - 70 mph

16) Where would you see this road sign?

- □ A - On a Ring road
- □ B - On a Motorway
- □ C - Approaching a Roundabout
- □ D - In a Car Park

17) Which type of crossing detects the movements of pedestrians?

- □ A – Zebras
- □ B – Pelicans
- □ C – Puffins
- □ D - Toucans
18) **What is the Maximum speed for a Heavy Goods vehicle (exceeding 7.5 tonnes maximum laden weight)" on a Motorway?**

- A - 40 mph
- B - 50 mph
- C - 60 mph
- D - 70 mph

19) **Which of these, if allowed to get low could cause an accident?**

- A - Brake fluid level
- B - Anti-freeze level
- C - Battery water level
- D - Radiator coolant level

20) **What does; this sign mean?**

- A - Slippery road
- B - Swing bridge ahead
- C - Accident spot ahead
- D - Quayside or river bank

21) **You are driving on a well-lit motorway at night. You should?**

- A - Use only your sidelights in good weather
- B - Always use your headlights
- C - Always use your fog lights
- D - Use headlights only in bad weather

22) **Your overall stopping distance will be much longer when:-**

- A - Driving in the rain
- B - Driving at night
- C - Driving in the fog
- D - Driving in strong winds

23) **If you see a vehicle with a flashing amber light, what might it signify?**

- A - Police car
- B – Doctor
- C - Fire engine
- D - Slow moving or broken down vehicle
24) Once you have passed your Theory and Practical Driving Tests, your entitlement to drive is usually valid until you reach the age of:

- □ A – 50
- □ B – 60
- □ C – 65
- □ D – 70
- □ E – 80

25) What does this sign mean?

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- □ A - You have right of way
- □ B - No overtaking
- □ C - Smaller vehicles keep left
- □ D - Oncoming traffic has priority

26) You are driving past a row of parked cars. What should you do if you see a football bounce out in front of you?

- □ A - Sound your horn
- □ B - Continue at the same speed, but flash your lights
- □ C - Slow down and be prepared to stop
- □ D - Stop and wave the children to fetch their football

27) On ice or snow braking distances can increase by:

- □ A - 4 times
- □ B - 6 times
- □ C - 10 times
- □ D - 20 times

28) Which THREE of these emergency services might have a blue flashing beacon? 3 answers required

- □ A - Gritting lorries
- □ B - Doctors cars
- □ C - Bomb disposal
- □ D - Pet ambulances
- □ E - Mountain rescue
- □ F - Coastguard

29) How will a school crossing patrol signal you to stop?

- □ A - By pointing to children on the opposite pavement
- □ B - By displaying a red light
- □ C - By displaying a stop sign
- □ D - By giving you an arm signal
30) What advice should you give to a driver who has had a few alcoholic drinks at a party?

- □ A - Go home by public transport
- □ B - Wait a short while and then drive home
- □ C - Have a strong cup of coffee and then drive home
- □ D - Drive home carefully and slowly

31) In which circumstances may you reverse on the motorway?

- □ A - In an emergency
- □ B - If you breakdown on the right hand lane
- □ C - If you are on the hard shoulder
- □ D - none

32) You are driving down a steep hill. Why could keeping the clutch down or selecting neutral for too long be dangerous?

- □ A - It will wear tyres out more quickly
- □ B - It will damage the engine
- □ C - Fuel consumption will be higher
- □ D - Your vehicle will pick up speed

33) What must you have to park in a disabled space?

- □ A - A wheelchair
- □ B - A blue badge
- □ C - A modified vehicle
- □ D - An advanced driver certificate

34) What does this sign mean?

- □ A - Beware tram rails
- □ B - Level crossing ahead
- □ C - Beware overhead cables
- □ D - Trams crossing ahead

35) An emergency vehicle with flashing blue lights is catching you up. What should you do?

- □ A - Nothing-just proceed as normal
- □ B - Go faster to keep the road clear
- □ C - Stop as soon as possible
- □ D - Make room for them to pass, if necessary pull over and stop
36) Before reversing, what should you check?

- A - Behind you
- B - Your door mirror
- C - Ahead and behind you
- D - All around

37) At traffic lights, amber on its own means?

- A - Go if the way is clear
- B - Go if no pedestrians are crossing
- C - Stop at the stop line
- D - Prepare to go

38) What does this traffic sign mean?

- A - Dual carriageway ends
- B - Road narrows on both sides
- C - Two way traffic straight ahead
- D - Danger ahead

39) What does this sign mean?

- A - Parking for military vehicles
- B - Oncoming military vehicles
- C - Slow moving military vehicles likely to be crossing or in road ahead
- D - Tanks only

40) Where are you most likely to see this sign?

- A - In a built-up area
- B - In a car park
- C - On the motorway
- D - In a lay-by
41) What does this motorway sign mean?

- □ A - 11 ton weight limit
- □ B - Through traffic use left lane
- □ C - Right-hand lane closed ahead
- □ D - Right-lane T junction only

42) What does this sign mean?

- □ A - Minimum speed limit
- □ B - No stopping
- □ C - End of 20 mph zone
- □ D - Entry to 20 mph zone

43) What does this sign mean?

- □ A - Cyclists and pedestrians in the road ahead
- □ B - Segregated pedal cycle and pedestrian route
- □ C - Cycle route ahead
- □ D - No entry to cyclists and pedestrians

44) What does this sign mean?

- □ A - Give way to vehicles on the right and left
- □ B - Traffic passes on both sides
- □ C - Turn off at the next junction on the motorway
- □ D - Pass either side to get to the same destination
45) If your steering suddenly feels light it is a sign that:-

- A - Your power steering system has failed
- B - You are steering whilst the car is stationary
- C - The tyres are losing their grip on the road
- D - Your tyre pressures are low

Case Study:
You decide to visit your mother who lives about 20 miles away. The journey will take you on various roads including country lanes and A class roads and also a dual carriageway. You’ve been before so think you know your way, you also have a mobile phone with you, so will be able to ring for directions if you get lost.

46) You are driving along a single track road with passing places only on the right.

A vehicle behind wishes to overtake; should you?

- A - slow down
- B - Speed up
- C - Wait opposite the passing place on the right
- D - Drive into the passing place on the right

47) On your journey you encounter a box junction, when may you enter this box junction?

- A - Only when your exit road is clear
- B - Only when there are less than two vehicles in front
- C - Whenever you need to turn right
- D - Whenever the traffic lights show green

48) A learner driver you are following stalls at a junction. What should you do?

- A - Shout instructions
- B - Be patient and wait for them to move on
- C - Steer around them and drive on
- D - Sound your horn and flash your lights

49) You are driving along a country road.

What should you expect to see coming towards you on YOUR side of the road?

- A – Motorcycles
- B – Pedestrians
- C - Horse riders
- D - Tractors

50) Part of your journey is on a dual carriageway, what is the national speed limit on a dual carriageway?

- A - 50 mph
- B - 70 mph
- C - 60 mph
- D - 40 mph