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The following are examples of the types of questions that may appear on the written exam at the Office of Motor Vehicles. See correct answers at the end of list.

1. When planning to make a left turn across an intersection and you are waiting in the middle of the intersection for the traffic to clear, your front tires should be turned:
 - a) to the left
 - b) it depends on the sharpness of the turn
 - c) straight ahead
 - d) to the right

2. When you see a “Roadwork Ahead” sign you should:
 - a) brake and be prepared to stop
 - b) slow down and look for the roadwork
 - c) continue at same speed and look for road work
 - d) look immediately for the road work

3. Following too closely:
 - a) shortens your reaction time
 - b) interferes with your ability to observe traffic conditions ahead
 - c) increases your chances of rear-ending the vehicle in front of you
 - d) all of the above

4. You should drive on the shoulder to pass a car only:
 - a) if the vehicle ahead of you is turning left
 - b) under no circumstance
 - c) when the shoulder is wide enough

5. When you see a flashing yellow light at an intersection, you should:
 - a) yield to all traffic before crossing intersection
 - b) continue through the intersection, no need to slow down
 - c) slow down and cross the intersection carefully
 - d) stop at the intersection and cross when clear

6. Scanning the road ahead for hazards helps drivers:
 - a) see road signs and driving information
 - b) see cars and people ahead
 - c) all answers are correct

7. When you are driving on the freeway and the vehicle in front of you is a large truck, you should drive:
 - a) no more than one car length behind so the driver can see you
 - b) farther behind than you would for a passenger vehicle
 - c) close behind the truck in bad weather because the driver can see better than you can

8. The safest way to stop your vehicle is to:
 - a) pump the brake pedal
 - b) slam on the brake pedal
 - c) apply hard steady pressure to the brake pedal
 - d) pull up on the emergency brake

9. When driving in adverse conditions, the proper speed to travel is:
 - a) the posted speed limit
 - b) 55 mph
 - c) 10 miles below the speed limit
 - d) only as fast as it is safe to drive

10. When a car with bright lights comes toward you at night, you should:
 - a) allow others drivers to pass
 - b) look below at the lights
 - c) look toward the right edge of your lane
 - d) none of the above

11. It is always illegal to park:
 - a) in a tunnel
 - b) on a bridge
 - c) in a fire lane
 - d) all of the above

12. When is it legal to cross a double solid yellow line?
 - a) never
 - b) always
 - c) when it is clear and safe to do so
 - d) when you are making a left turn into a business or home driveway

13. When you park your car uphill next to a curb, the right front wheel should be:
 - a) parallel to the curb with the brake set
 - b) turned to the left so the back of the wheel is against the curb
 - c) turned to the right with the wheel touching the curb

14. If your car begins to skid, you should:
- a) take your foot off of the accelerator and turn in the opposite direction of the skid
 - b) take your foot off of the accelerator and turn in the direction of the skid
 - c) brake immediately and turn in the direction of the skid
 - d) brake immediately and turn in the opposite direction of the skid
15. When you want to change lanes, you can see if another vehicle is in your blind spot:
- a) only if you check your side-view mirror
 - b) only if you check both mirrors
 - c) only if you check your rearview mirror
 - d) only if you turn and glance over your shoulder
16. When taking medication while driving, the most important thing for you to do is:
- a) eat a light meal
 - b) make several rest stops along the way
 - c) understand the effects of the medication and adjust your driving accordingly
 - d) ask another person to ride with you
17. When you are backing up, it is usually best to:
- a) steer with one hand, while looking in the rearview mirror
 - b) open the left door and look back
 - c) steer with both hands while looking into the rearview mirror
 - d) steer with one hand, while looking out of the rear window
18. Roads and highways are always most slippery when:
- a) during a heavy downpour
 - b) the first rain after several dry weeks
 - c) after it has been raining for a few hours
19. When passing another vehicle, you can exceed the posted speed limit:
- a) only when you are passing a group of cars
 - b) never
 - c) when you are passing only a car
 - d) when you are obstructing the passing lane
20. To safely navigate through a curve, you should:
- a) slow down before entering a curve and avoid braking while in the curve
 - b) accelerate in the curve
 - c) stomp on your brakes while in the curve
 - d) drive way to the outside of the curve

21. Which of the following statements about blind spots are true?
- a) large trucks have bigger blind spots than most passenger vehicles
 - b) blind spots are eliminated if you have one outside mirror on each side of the vehicle
 - c) blind spots can be checked by looking in the rearview mirror
 - d) they are larger on passenger vehicles
22. Always leave extra space in front of you when:
- a) in bad weather
 - b) someone is following you too closely
 - c) you are following a motorcycle
 - d) all of the above
23. When driving in foggy road conditions, you should
- a) use your regular headlights only
 - b) turn on your high beam headlights
 - c) use your low beam lights
24. As you pull away from the curb, you should:
- a) check your rear-view mirror and then pull out when safe
 - b) should check and then pull out when it is safe
 - c) signal, check over your shoulder, then pull out when it's safe
 - d) signal, check your rear-view mirror, then pull out when it's safe.

Correct Answers:

- 1) C
- 2) C
- 3) D
- 4) B
- 5) C
- 6) C
- 7) B
- 8) C
- 9) D
- 10) C
- 11) D
- 12) C
- 13) B
- 14) B
- 15) D
- 16) C
- 17) D
- 18) B
- 19) B
- 20) A
- 21) A
- 22) D
- 23) C
- 24) C