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1. Hydroplaning can occur at speeds as low as \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.
  - a. 60
  - b. 50
  - c. 40
  - d. 35
2. If a vehicle's speed doubles, e.g., from 20 mph to 40 mph, the distance needed to stop the vehicle increases by \_\_\_\_\_ times.
  - a. 2
  - b. 3
  - c. 4
  - d. 8
3. To allow enough distance to stop when responding to hazardous objects or conditions, you should identify a planned path of travel \_\_\_\_\_ seconds ahead.
  - a. 2 – 4
  - b. 12 – 15
  - c. 20 – 30
  - d. 50 – 60
4. When braking hard, the weight of the vehicle noticeably shifts \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. To the rear of the vehicle
  - b. To the front of the vehicle
  - c. To the left of the vehicle
  - d. To the right of the vehicle
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ a tire's contact patch, the \_\_\_\_\_ traction the tire has with the road surface.
  - a. smaller, more
  - b. larger, more
  - c. smaller, less
  - d. B and C
6. When turning to the right, the contact patches of the \_\_\_\_\_ increase in size.
  - a. Front tires
  - b. Rear tires
  - c. Right side tires
  - d. Left side tires

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7. To check your mirror blind areas, you should:
  - a. Turn your head and check over your shoulder in the direction of the blind area.
  - b. Adjust all of your mirrors temporarily.
  - c. Use your vehicle's blind spot monitoring system.
  - d. Try to see the reflection off of the vehicle traveling in your blind spot.
  
8. The most common form of color blindness is the inability to distinguish between:
  - a. Red and yellow.
  - b. Green and yellow.
  - c. Red and green.
  - d. Green and blue.
  
9. The distance ahead that you search as you drive is your:
  - a. Targeting scope.
  - b. Visual scope.
  - c. Targeting lead.
  - d. Visual lead.
  
10. Drivers should maintain a Visual Control Zone of at least \_\_\_\_\_ seconds ahead.
  - a. 3 to 4
  - b. 9 to 10
  - c. 12 to 15
  - d. 20 to 30
  
11. To effectively search the total traffic scene, drivers should monitor the area\_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. To the rear
  - b. To the sides
  - c. To the front
  - d. All of the above (or All are correct)
  
12. Adjusting your speed to address one hazard at a time is called \_\_\_\_\_ multiple risks.
  - a. Compromising
  - b. De-conflicting
  - c. Separating
  - d. Clear path of travel
  
13. When faced with dangers close to both sides of your pathway, you should give up:
  - a. More space to your right side because it is more difficult to see to that side.
  - b. More space to your left side because of the possibility of oncoming traffic.
  - c. About the same space on either side of you.
  - d. More space to the side with the more serious consequences.

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14. An adequate space margin is one that provides a driver with:
  - a. Time.
  - b. Space.
  - c. Visibility.
  - d. All of the above are correct.
  
15. In traffic, the best way for you to provide an emergency escape path is to maintain adequate space to the:
  - a. Front and at least one side of your vehicle.
  - b. Rear of your vehicle.
  - c. Sides of your vehicle.
  - d. Front of your vehicle.
  
16. A driver should maintain a minimum following distance of:
  - a. One car length for every 10 mph.
  - b. 1 to 2 seconds.
  - c. 3 to 4 seconds.
  - d. 15 to 20 seconds.
  
17. A reasonable and proper speed for any set of conditions is a speed that:
  - a. Will not result in a violation.
  - b. Allows you to avoid spinouts.
  - c. Allows time to adjust your radio while moving.
  - d. Provides a safe travel path.
  
18. As a driver you have a responsibility to pedestrians that is:
  - a. Legal.
  - b. Moral.
  - c. Both A and B are correct.
  - d. Neither A nor B is correct.
  
19. In crashes involving a passenger vehicle and a motorcycle, the motorcyclist is usually at fault.
  - a. True
  - b. False
  
20. Drivers of passenger vehicles are at significant risk of serious injury and death when colliding with:
  - a. Trains.
  - b. Bicyclists.
  - c. Domestic animals.
  - d. Skateboarders.

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21. Animals are especially dangerous when you see them near the roadway because:
- Their size and quick movements.
  - They are attracted by vehicle exhaust fumes.
  - They have a basic fear of vehicles and will always run from them.
  - They are generally too small to cause any damage to your vehicle if you hit them.
22. Driving courtesy is important as you share the road with:
- Drivers in funeral processions.
  - Vulnerable road users.
  - Farm machinery operators.
  - All of the above.
23. What should you not do when you see the flashing lights of a police officer behind you?
- Let the law enforcement officer know that you see them
  - Reduce your speed until you pull over
  - Pull over in a safe location
  - Reach for any object, or into the glovebox, console or other closed area, or under your seat or down to the floorboard
24. "BAC" stands for \_\_\_\_\_ .
- Breath alcohol content
  - Breath alcohol concentration
  - Blood alcohol content
  - Blood alcohol concentration
25. It takes the body, on average, approximately how long to eliminate the alcohol contained in one drink?
- ½ hour
  - 1 hour
  - 1 ¼–1 ½ hour
  - 2 hours
26. The effects of alcohol will start with the:
- 1st drink,
  - 2nd drink.
  - 3rd drink.
  - 4th drink.
27. What factor(s) affect your BAC levels?
- Male or female
  - Weight
  - Size of the drink
  - All of the above

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28. People who are driving while affected by marijuana will:
- Still be capable of driving safely.
  - Tend to concentrate on one thing at a time while driving.
  - Be more relaxed and drive better.
  - See better at night.
29. Combining one or more drugs can cause a synergistic effect on your body, meaning:
- The combined effect is greater than the sum of the two effects separately.
  - The drugs cancel out each other's effects.
  - The first drug taken will be the only drug that has any effect on you.
  - The last drug taken will be the only drug that has any effect on you.
30. More than \_\_\_\_\_ of Americans regularly take prescription medicine.
- One-quarter
  - One-half
  - Three-quarters
  - 80 percent
31. A driver can legally drive after consuming marijuana:
- In states where recreational marijuana is legal.
  - If the driver has an authorized medical marijuana card.
  - If the marijuana is consumed by eating edibles instead of smoked.
  - None of the above.
32. What is a DRE?
- Driver Rehab Educator
  - Drug Recognition Expert
  - Driving Recreational Equipment
  - Drug Reduction Effort
33. The three categories of distractions include visual, manual and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Synergistic
  - Mental
  - Complex
  - Compound
34. After using voice commands on vehicles and phones to make a call, send a text or change the music, mental distractions can last up to \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 2
  - 12
  - 18
  - 27

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35. Texting drivers are up to \_\_\_\_\_ times more like to be involved in a crash overall.
- Five
  - Eight
  - Twelve
  - Twenty
36. According to research, approximately how many drivers who crashed after falling asleep did not detect any signs of drowsiness before crashing?
- One-fourth
  - One-half
  - Three-fourths
  - All drivers who crashed
37. \_\_\_\_\_ is an effective way to remain awake after becoming sleepy while driving.
- Turning the air conditioning to its lowest temperature setting
  - Increasing the volume of the audio system
  - A and B
  - None of the above
38. Most people experience energy dips between approximately midnight and 6 a.m., and again from approximately \_\_\_\_\_, during which they are more likely to fall asleep while driving.
- 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
  - Noon to 2 p.m.
  - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
  - 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
39. \_\_\_\_\_ is an example of road rage.
- Yelling and/or threatening a roadway user
  - Failing to obey traffic controls
  - Improperly turning and maneuvering
  - All of the above
40. \_\_\_\_\_ can increase risk when driving in low light or nighttime conditions.
- Glare
  - Narrower side vision
  - Impaired drivers
  - All of the above

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41. As few as \_\_\_\_\_ inches of water can cause you to lose control of your vehicle.
- 4
  - 6
  - 10
  - 12
42. \_\_\_\_\_ require(s) driving at speeds that are reasonable and prudent for conditions.
- Good driving habits
  - The Basic Speed Law
  - Safety factors
  - Driving environments
43. If you believe that your brakes have failed, your first action should be to\_\_\_\_\_.
- Position warning devices at 100- and 200-foot increments behind your car.
  - Scrape against a solid surface to reduce speed.
  - Shift to a lower gear.
  - Pump the brake pedal.
44. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ skid occurs when your front tires lose contact with the road surface.
- Loose
  - Understeer
  - Oversteer
  - Four-wheel
45. What should you do if a fire breaks out under the hood?
- Open the hood
  - Spray water on the hood
  - Make sure you and any passengers are out and well away from the vehicle
  - Pull into a gas station
46. What information do you need to exchange with the other driver(s) and any injured persons if involved in a crash?
- Your names
  - Vehicle identification numbers
  - Insurance information
  - All the above
47. Lane departure warning systems are designed to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Steer a vehicle back into its lane.
  - Warn the driver when there is a vehicle in his or her blind spot.
  - Warn the driver when the vehicle drifts into the next lane.
  - Maintain traction on the road by applying the brakes to individual wheels.

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48. Before driving any vehicle equipped with safety technology, the driver should:
- Understand the purpose and function of each technology.
  - Ignore the limitations of each technology.
  - Read the vehicle's owner's manual.
  - A and C only.
49. The potential benefit(s) of self-driving vehicles include(s):
- Increased fuel use
  - Improved traffic flow
  - Reduced mobility
  - Increased pollution
50. What if a driver misses the visual alert from the blind spot monitoring and detection system and starts to change lanes?
- An audible alert sounds
  - The system helps steer the vehicle back into the lane
  - Both a and b are correct
  - None of the above