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1. Hydroplaning can occur at speeds as low as _____ miles per hour.
 - a. 60
 - b. 50
 - c. 40
 - d. 35—Correct answer
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 – Correct answer
 - 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 – Correct answer
 - 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 – Correct answer
 - 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—Correct answer
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—Correct answer

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

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

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

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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.—Correct answer
 - 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.—Correct answer
 - 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—Correct answer
 - 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.—Correct answer
32. What is a DRE?
- Driver Rehab Educator
 - Drug Recognition Expert—Correct answer
 - Driving Recreational Equipment
 - Drug Reduction Effort
33. The three categories of distractions include visual, manual and _____.
- Synergistic
 - Mental—Correct answer
 - 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—Correct answer

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35. Texting drivers are up to _____ times more like to be involved in a crash overall.
- Five
 - Eight—Correct answer**
 - 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—Correct answer**
 - 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—Correct answer**
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.—Correct answer**
 - 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
39. _____ is an example of road rage.
- Yelling and/or threatening a roadway user—Correct answer**
 - 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—Correct answer**

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41. As few as _____ inches of water can cause you to lose control of your vehicle.
- 4
 - 6—Correct answer**
 - 10
 - 12
42. _____ require(s) driving at speeds that are reasonable and prudent for conditions.
- Good driving habits
 - The Basic Speed Law—Correct answer**
 - 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.—Correct answer**
44. A(n) _____ skid occurs when your front tires lose contact with the road surface.
- Loose
 - Understeer—Correct answer**
 - 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—Correct answer**
 - 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—Correct answer**

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47. Lane departure warning systems are designed to _____.
a. Steer a vehicle back into its lane.
b. Warn the driver when there is a vehicle in his or her blind spot.
c. Warn the driver when the vehicle drifts into the next lane. – Correct answer
d. Maintain traction on the road by applying the brakes to individual wheels.
48. Before driving any vehicle equipped with safety technology, the driver should:
a. Understand the purpose and function of each technology.
b. Ignore the limitations of each technology.
c. Read the vehicle's owner's manual.
d. A and C only. – Correct answer
49. The potential benefit(s) of self-driving vehicles include(s):
a. Increased fuel use
b. Improved traffic flow—Correct answer
c. Reduced mobility
d. Increased pollution
50. What if a driver misses the visual alert from the blind spot monitoring and detection system and starts to change lanes?
a. An audible alert sounds
b. The system helps steer the vehicle back into the lane
c. Both a and b are correct—Correct answer
d. None of the above